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UNITED ISLAND ASKS FULL REPRESENTATION

Boards of Trade Appeal for Justice at Hands of Redistribution Committee — Mainland Members Decide Island Membership, Charges Delegation—Trouble Stirred Up Between Island Ridings

Duncan to Lay Curse on Premier if Act Passes

THE Island's fight to retain full membership in the House was renewed with fresh strength last night when the Associated Boards of Trade of Vancouver Island met the Premier and most of the Island members and presented a united front to the proposal to slice a member from the Island representation.

The meeting was one that developed frigidity in rapid order, the Premier, after listening to the arguments of the delegation, contenting himself with a few remarks to the effect that the matter would be dealt with by committee of the whole House. Having thus delivered himself, he departed unceremoniously, leaving the delegation wondering what it was all about.

The point made by the delegation in discussing the scheme to cut the Island's membership was that the redistribution committee had been composed solely of Mainland members. Had the Island been represented thereon, they thought, a different solution might have been reached.

The organization on the part of the Island sprang from a conference yesterday at noon between a delegation from the Cowichan Valley and the directors of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce. The Duncan business men came down to the city prepared to "whoop it up" about the Chamber in the belief that Victoria was responsible for the legislative designs on the Cowichan riding. The threat of strained relations disappeared, however, when the Valley men listened to the directors of the Chamber, and as the upshot of the meeting, united Island action was decided upon in an attempt to save Cowichan from the threatened partition, and the Island as a whole from molestation, and last night the hastily gathered forces of the Island Boards of Trade repaired to the Parliament Buildings to that end.

The Premier's Work

The idea that Victoria was responsible for Cowichan's plight was the work of Premier Oliver, Mr. J. Y. Copeman, of the Duncan delegation, told the Chamber. When interviewed on Saturday, the Premier had said that the sole reason for splitting Cowichan was to preserve for Victoria the city's "extra" member.

"Hence," said Mr. A. H. Peterson, also of Duncan, "we feel Victoria is responsible. First Esquimalt was to be cut, but they began to holler. Then it was Victoria, but Victoria raised a holler, too. Then they decided to go after Cowichan. We think Victoria should make just as strong a protest for Cowichan as it did for itself."

Dr. D. E. Kerr, of Duncan, said that if the Act should go through, "the curse of Pharaoh will not be a patch on what will be contributed to the Premier of this Province."

Mr. C. P. W. Schwengers, president of the Chamber, assured the delegation that Victoria was in no way to be blamed for the proposal to break Cowichan up. No other two districts were so bound together as Cowichan and Victoria. When the Chamber of Commerce delegation had met the redistribution committee last week, just as much insistence had been laid on the necessity of preserving the Island's membership as that of the city itself. No indication had been given by the committee that Victoria was to keep her four members at the expense of Cowichan.

For the benefit of the visitors, Mr. Schwengers read his report of the Chamber's dealings with the redistribution committee, which set out:

"It was reported the original redistribution bill proposed to deprive Esquimalt of its seat. As a result of strong protests, the suggestion was changed to reduce Victoria's representation. When Victoria commenced to protest, it was intimated that either this city or Esquimalt must be sacrificed, and that a choice must be made between the two. This Chamber then appeared before the legislative committee and submitted their case for the justification of Victoria retaining her four members. That this representation was well founded may be judged by the fact that the next day it was announced that the four members would be retained.

Mainlanders Judge

"The legislative committee dealing with this matter (we suggest most unjustly) composed entirely of Mainland members, intimated to us that the Island membership must be curtailed in order to maintain a proper balance with the Mainland. It is understood that the Mainland members in caucus insisted that the Island's membership should be lessened on account of increased population on the Mainland. It should be pointed out that if this theory holds, by reason of the fact that the population of the Mainland, owing to its vast area, will in time outgrow this Island proportionately, to such an extent that if once the precedent is established, further curtailment in our legislative representation is bound to occur from time to time.

"Your committee, when informed that the Mainland insisted on the aforementioned readjustment, protested that this Island, by reason of its early settlers and the money it provided in the earlier days for Mainland development, should be used as the basis of readjusting the membership of the Mainland, even if some slight increase in membership to the Legislature should become necessary.

"We pointed out that the position taken by the Legislature was one that appeared to call for the entire Island getting together for concerted action.

Old Feud Raised

"Further, that it was beyond our comprehension why the Island should

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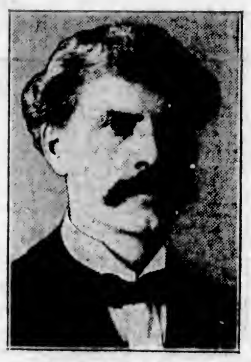

DOESN'T WANT PREMIERSHIP

Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the second largest group in the British Commons, the Labor party, to whom the task of forming a Government will fall if Liberals and Conservatives cannot form a coalition. The Labor party is not keen for the honors of government at the present time, but may fear to reject the offer if it is made to them. They claim to be the only party with a solution for unemployment.

Messages Tell of Poverty-Stricken Children in Victoria

"THEIR present visible means of support is the employment of the oldest girl. Their hopelessly crippled little brother has been, and is, a weighty drain upon their all too meagre and inadequate income."

This is a sample picked at random from the contents of the Rotary Club's postbag these days.

Another reads: "Our father is dead, and we would be very grateful if you would put our names down for some clothing and shoes. . . ."

Phone messages come in all day, such as "Five children; no father; mother with broken leg; hard up."

The fund with which the Rotary workers hope to be able to bring some seasonable cheer to such families as these is growing but slowly. Every dollar which happy Christmas shoppers can spare will be put to good use. The administrative expense is practically nil. On the last occasion on which appeal was made to the public it came to less than one-tenth of one per cent.

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Gold Marks' First Appearance On Bourse

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—Today marked official birth of German gold mark figures on the Bourse quotations list. The tradesmen for some days have been eliminating the cumbersome rows of ciphers from the price list, the sight of the old-fashioned marks and pfennig creating a better feeling. It came as a sort of revelation, however, to find that under the new dispensation certain of the smaller fry among the shares were quoted only in pfennigs instead of billions of marks.

COUNCIL PASSES BY-LAW AT LAST

City and C.P.R. Complete Amusement Centre Proposals for Submission to Ratepayers

LICENCES CAUSE LONG DISCUSSION

Polling Will Take Place on December 29 — Alderman Woodward Will Not Actively Oppose By-Law

AFTER weeks of negotiation, the City Council passed the amusement centre by-law last night, and it will go to the ratepayers for ratification on December 29.

The Council met yesterday afternoon for the specific purpose of dealing with the by-law. Mr. J. A. McMullen and Mr. Basil Gardom were present as representatives of the C.P.R. A further meeting was held last night for the completion of the by-law. At 9:45 o'clock the committee of the whole rose anu reported the measure complete with amendments. Alderman Woodward voted against the adoption of the report and the third reading and passing of the by-law.

The question of the payment of trade licences in connection with both the amusement centre and the Empress Hotel occupied a great deal of time.

Aldermen Woodward, Leeming, Andros and Sargent claimed that the Empress Hotel should have no special concessions in regard to trade licences. Mr. McMullen pointed out that the company wished to have some limitation placed on licence fees in order that it would be impossible for any future Council to take away the company's special taxation advantages by the imposition of exorbitant licence charges.

After long discussion it was decided to provide that at no time during the twenty years of the lease could the licence fees for the Empress Hotel or any business operated within it by the company be larger than the present maximum allowed under the city's powers.

Licence Fees

The question of licence fees in connection with the amusement centre came up in the evening and also caused much debate. Mr. McMullen stated that from the first the amusement centre scheme involved tax exemption as one of its principal proposals. To exempt the land and building from taxation but to impose a licence fee would be to violate the spirit of the negotiations. There was no difference from a financial standpoint whether the taxes were paid on land and improvements or in the form of a licence levy. The difference between the C.P.R. in this instance and the ordinary businessman was that the latter could quit if his business did not pay.

After extended consideration of the whole question, the Council agreed to a compromise whereunder licence fees for anything except the sale of articles of merchandise other than refreshments for consumption on the premises shall not exceed the licence fees which the city may at present charge under its legislation, it being specially provided, however, that no licence fees shall be charged in respect of the amusement centre as such or the gymnasium or the swimming pool, so long as there is no other amusement centre or gymnasium or swimming pool in Victoria paying a licence fee.

Alderman Woodward wanted provision made for the C.P.R. to supply salt water for a wading pool in Beacon Hill Park. Mr. Gardom pointed out that there was no assurance that there would be a pool in the park, and he did not want the matter introduced into the agreement. If a pool were projected, the city could then approach the company for water, we suggested. Alderman Wood-

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Legislature Puts Through Supply; Total $20,342,850

THE supply bill was put through its various stages in the Legislature last night, the aggregate amount voted for the coming fiscal year, March 31, 1925, being $20,342,850.

The original estimates as presented to the House totalled $19,286,413. In addition there are supplementary estimates of $960,851.

The remaining amount, $85,586, consists of a supplement to last year's vote.

STORES REMAIN OPEN AT NIGHTS

MERCHANTS PREPARED FOR CHRISTMAS BUSINESS

Wednesday Holiday Disappears—Bright Lights Draw Crowds to Government Street Windows

Although the merchants of the city are not acting in unison in the matter, it is expected that beginning Thursday night all the downtown stores will remain open in the evenings to accommodate the Christmas shoppers. Late hours were inaugurated by a few shops last night. The majority, however, are waiting until later in the week. All will be open on Wednesday afternoon, the usual half-holiday going by the board before the rush of holiday expenditure.

David Spencer's, Limited, will be open on Thursday until 9 p.m., and on Friday, Saturday and Monday until the same hour. The same schedule will be followed by Angus Campbell & Co., and, it is expected, by Drysdale's and Weiler's. The Hudson's Bay Company will be open until 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Shoppers in the city Saturday night justified the theory that people go where the bright lights are. The string of powerful lamps installed on the poles along the east side of Government Street, between Fort and Courtney, illuminating the show windows on the opposite side of the street, had beneficial effect on the business transacted thereabouts, and will probably prove strong magnets during the remainder of the buying rush. The lights were put up at considerable expense by the firms in the block which they brighten. The results are regarded as fully worth the outlay.

TO DECIDE POLICY AND LEADER TODAY

BRITISH LIBERAL PARTY WILL HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING

Question of Benevolent Neutrality Toward Conservatives or Labor Likely Up for Discussion

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The Liberal party will hold a meeting tomorrow, when the party will decide on a policy and elect a leader.

As a government with any sort of stability can only be secured through some agreement or understanding between two parties, the question arises whether that inevitable understanding is to be between the Conservatives and Liberals, or between the Liberals and Laborites.

This may be arranged at tomorrow's meeting. Both Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith and Rt. Hon. David Lloyd George have publicly repudiated an desire or intention to hinder Labor's constitutional right to succeed to power.

Benevolent Neutrality

Mr. Lloyd George seems to have yoked himself firmly to the fortunes of the Liberal party and to be disposed to adopt a policy of more or less benevolent neutrality toward Labor; hence it is generally assumed, that when parliament reassembles the government will be defeated in the early days of the session. The King would then follow the constitutional practice in the House to form a ministry, which, so long as it refrained from striking controversial measures, might depend upon general support from the Liberals.

B.C. TO PROTECT ITS FUR ANIMALS

Chairman M. B. Jackson, of Game Board, Outlines Policies—Esquimalt Member Urges More Rigid Control of Foreign Big Game Hunters—Fur Farm Plan Is Endorsed—Goats Coming to Island—Will Establish Centre Near Here

WHAT a valuable asset this Province possesses in its game, especially the fur-bearing game, and the necessity of conserving it, was emphasized in the Legislature last night, when amendments to the Game Act designed to make more workable and efficient the operations of the Game Conservation Board came under consideration on the second reading of the bill.

Chairman M. B. Jackson, who first was disinclined to answer Mr. Fred Anderson's repeated demand for an explanation of what the policy of the Board might be, pleading the lateness of the hour and the fact that all this information would be brought out in committee, finally outlined the Board's policies.

Mr. R. H. Pooley urged an increase in big game licences from $150 to $200, stating that wealthy foreigners who come into British Columbia for shooting could well afford to pay more. In Alaska the fee was $200 plus trophy fees, and there were restrictions that would be well in British Columbia. The big game should be conserved as far as possible because of its great value. He suggested that every guide should be forced to make a sworn declaration as to the number of animals killed by the hunters.

Chairman Jackson said the amendments proposed were for the purpose of making more workable and efficient the game regulations. Not alone were the birds and deer a great part in British Columbia's game, but even more important still were the big fur-bearing game. He urged the necessity of conserving the indigenous wild fur and taking steps at conservation through cultivated fur, that is, fur farms. He referred to the good work joint provincial conferences are doing in game conservation, and even in the far north this spirit was growing among the Hudson's Bay officials and others.

British Columbia was the finest and last stand of big game and fur, and game centres should therefore be inaugurated. Fur animal centres will be established on Vancouver Island and Queen Charlotte Island.

Mr. Jackson said the Board had arranged at Banff for a herd of mountain goats to be established on Vancouver Island, and the animals would be here some time in January.

WANT STRAIGHT MAJORITY VOTE

Conservative Members of the the Legislature Point to Defects in the Proposed Beer Vote Bill

SUPPORT PRINCIPLE OF A PLEBISCITE

Mr. Bowser Says He Recognizes Difficulty, But Attacks Manson Methods Regarding Municipalities

A STRAIGHT majority vote on the question of the sale of beer by the glass when the issue is placed before the electors of the Province under the provisions of the bill now before the House, was demanded by Conservative members when the debate on the second reading of the measure was continued, following Attorney-General Manson's explanation of the principles of the bill at the morning sitting.

Mr. Bowser stated the Conservative opposition would support the principle of a plebiscite, but the basis upon which the Bill proposed to hold it would meet with opposition.

As at present drafted the principle adopted by the government is to form what Hon. Mr. Manson described as a foundation vote; that is, if more than two-fifths of the total provincial vote favors sale, then in those sections where more than fifty per cent of the electors also favor it, they may have the new plan inaugurated, while in those that do not go fifty per cent it will not be brought into operation, though subsequently these latter localities may petition to have sale permitted. This local option principle also meets with opposition from the Conservatives.

The debate was continued practically the whole afternoon yesterday, and at its conclusion the Bill was given its second reading without comment.

Colonel Lister also demanded the majority vote as opposed to any local option plan.

Mr. W. J. Bowser appreciated the difficulty of the Attorney-General in framing legislation to meet the case. He referred to the experience of the late Conservative Government in handling the liquor traffic, but claimed it had come nearer to successfully doing so by increasing control and limiting hours of sale than had any previous administration. He recited the history of liquor legislation up to prohibition and subsequent

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thereto when the present government

MAKE LAST EFFORT TO HALT EXPORT

OPPOSITION DEFEATED AGAIN ON TIMBER VOTE

Mr. Bowser Attempts to Alter Amendment to Prevent Shipment of Unmanufactured Lumber

Opposition members in the Legislature last night made another and final effort to force the Government to put an end to the export of unmanufactured timber from the Province to American mills when amendments to the consolidation of the Forest Act were presented by Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands.

Section ninety-one of the bill giving power to the Government to allow export until March 31, 1930, the section under which export has been allowed for some years, was being discussed when Mr. Bowser moved the period be cut down to December 31, 1924, the same date favored in the motion by Mr. J. Hinchliffe which was defeated when the subject of exports was recently threshed out in the House.

After his proposed date, held Mr. Bowser, all timber should be manufactured in the Province.

Hon. Mr. Pattullo repeated the same arguments he advanced when the suggestion was before the House on the Hinchliffe motion, declaring the curtailment of export to one more year would ruin the lumber industry, and, anyway, a further extension would have to be given. Some action might have to be taken to prevent export from Crown granted lands and that matter was being given consideration but to accept the amendment would simply paralyze the industry in British Columbia.

On a show of hands Mr. Bowser's amendment was lost by a substantial majority.

Prince of Ojibways Succumbs to Burns

FORT WILLIAM, Dec. 17.—Simon Penassie, Prince of the Ojibway tribe, for forty years policeman on the Fort William reserve, is dead as the result of burns received when trying to save his modest home from destruction by fire recently. So honest was Simon that he would arrest his own relatives and then stump up the money out of his own pocket to pay the fine.

AMERICAN IMPARTIALITY

PARIS, Dec. 17.—The Lithuanian delegates to the Council of the League of Nations took a strong stand today for the designation of an American as president of the proposed commission to make a new inquiry into the dispute over Memel. M. Galvanauskas, the Lithuanian Premier, said: "The whole world knows American impartiality in European political affairs."

FIGHT RAGES ALL DAY FOR MEXICAN CITY

Revolutionary Forces in Pitched Battle With President Obregon's Troops for Apizaco—Reinforcements Sent From Vera Cruz to Aid Rebels, but Torn-Up Railway Lines Delay Movements

Cavalry Leave Trains; Hurry to Help Comrades

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 17.—A battle has been raging all day for the possession of Apizaco between the revolutionary forces commanded by Generals Maycotte and Villareal and the troops of President Obregon, reinforced by men under the command of General Eugenio Martinez, according to an announcement made by revolutionary headquarters here tonight. Nothing is known here as yet as to the trend of the battle.

Reinforcements have been dispatched from Vera Cruz to the aid of the rebels. Fighting also is proceeding at San Marcos, the railroad junction to the east of Apizaco, where three military trainloads of Obregon troops began an offensive against the revolutionary column of General Villaneuva. Rebel reinforcements have been ordered from Esperanza and San Andres to San Marcos, where they are expected to arrive tomorrow morning.

PRESIDENT OBREGON

Head of the Republic of Mexico, who is engaged in putting down a serious rebellion. Just as Mexico has reached a stage in her political life where the government had established a certain degree of faith among the other nations of the world, it now reverts to the old-time state of revolution.

The reinforcements which are being sent from Vera Cruz likely will be delayed in reaching the battle front owing to the fact that the railway tracks which have been torn up have not yet been repaired. This afternoon news reached here from General Moran, in command of cavalry, saying his forces had left their trains near Apizaco and that he was hurrying to the aid of the rebels.

Tonight rebel headquarters reported that rebel formations were marching into the right flank of the Obregonistas at San Marcos.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 16.—A trap has been sprung on the de la Huerta forces which this morning entered Puebla which was evacuated by the Federal troops last night. Directing an advance from Apizaco, where he arrived this afternoon, President Obregon launched an attack upon a thousand rebel troops.

According to a war department announcement, an engagement is expected soon.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 16.—The El Paso Times today received the following telegram from Francisco Torrebianco, private secretary to President Obregon:

"After reviewing the troops engaged in operations against the city of Guadalajara, where the rebel divisional commander, Enrique Estrada, is active, and giving the necessary instructions for the campaign, President Obregon returned to Mexico City today. After a few hours in the capital the President journeyed to Apizaco where he spent the day reviewing the troops about to attack the forces of the rebel general Sanchez."

JUAREZ, Mex., Dec. 17.—Ten men were killed Saturday in engagements in the vicinity of Guadalupe between insurrectionists and Federals, according to unconfirmed reports received here today.

RUSSELL SECT GATHERS HERE TO AWAIT JEHOVAH

Victoria is to be the world's headquarters of the Standfast Bible Students, as forecasted in Sunday's issue of The Colonist.

This body of worshippers, numbering some 3,000 throughout the world, are the so-called "Stand Pats" of the original cult headed by the late Pastor Russell. They believe, it is said, that the "little flock" of 144,000 mentioned in the scriptures is complete and that time is past for all future conversions "to the truth."

Local members of the sect were reticent when approached as to the real purpose of the pilgrimage from many quarters in the United States to Victoria, and the occupancy of the Scott Block at the corner of Douglas and Hillside Avenue by the advance guard consisting of over 100 Bible students. When pressed for the reason, one of them said that the Steadfasts wish to be together. They plan to erect a lecture hall and hold meetings every evening.

When asked if they expected Jehovah to deliver His message to them in this city, the reply was "You may draw your own conclusions."

TO END BI-ARCHY IN INDIA PROPOSED

Ghandi's Lieutenant Leads Successful Bengal Party, and Advises Governor of Intentions

CALCUTTA, Dec. 17.—C. R. Das, leader of the Swaraj party, which won the recent election in the province of Bengal, has written to Earl Lytton, Governor, declining the invitation extended to him to form a government, it was announced today. Mr. Das in his letter explained that the Swaraj party, the Indian home rulers, were pledged to put an end to the bi-archy which governs India, an object which they would be unable to accomplish if they accepted office. Mr. Das, chief lieutenant of Ghandi, the non-cooperationist leader, is one of the most prominent advocates of Indian independence, but advocates a policy of non-violence.

For Responsible Government

The Swaraj party, at its meeting Sunday, adopted the decision later announced by Mr. Das, and also pledged that the Swarajists would reject all government measures until the national demand for at least a provincial responsible government was granted, in the meantime refusing to accept any offers respecting governmental offices.

The Hindu-Moslem pact aiming to establish foundations for self-government was also adopted. This pact provides for allotment of government posts and seats in the legislature, as well as mutual concessions in religious affairs.

DEAD IN GAS-FILLED HOUSE

SEATTLE, Dec. 17.—The bodies of Eugene A. Childe, prominent local attorney, former state legislator and one-time police judge, and Miss Clara Lien, of Vancouver, B.C., who was recently divorced from her husband, Frank M. Jacobs, of Seattle, were found today in a gas-filled house in this city.

GREEK KING TIRED OF HIS THRONE

DYNASTIC CRISIS REPORTED IN LITTLE KINGDOM

Would Rather Be Humblest Citizen Than Bear Worries and Humiliations, Says His Majesty

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The news from Athens that a dynastic crisis is believed to be imminent there caused no great surprise in London, where the Foreign Office, through its representative in the Greek capital, has been closely following the recent tendencies of the Greek Radicals.

Although pressure has been brought to bear on the present revolutionary regime by the British government, it was apparently recognized from the start that no mere diplomatic representations could alter any course which the Greek people might decide upon. Ever since he ascended the throne, more than a year ago when his ill-fated father fled to Italy, King George has never felt certain of his own life.

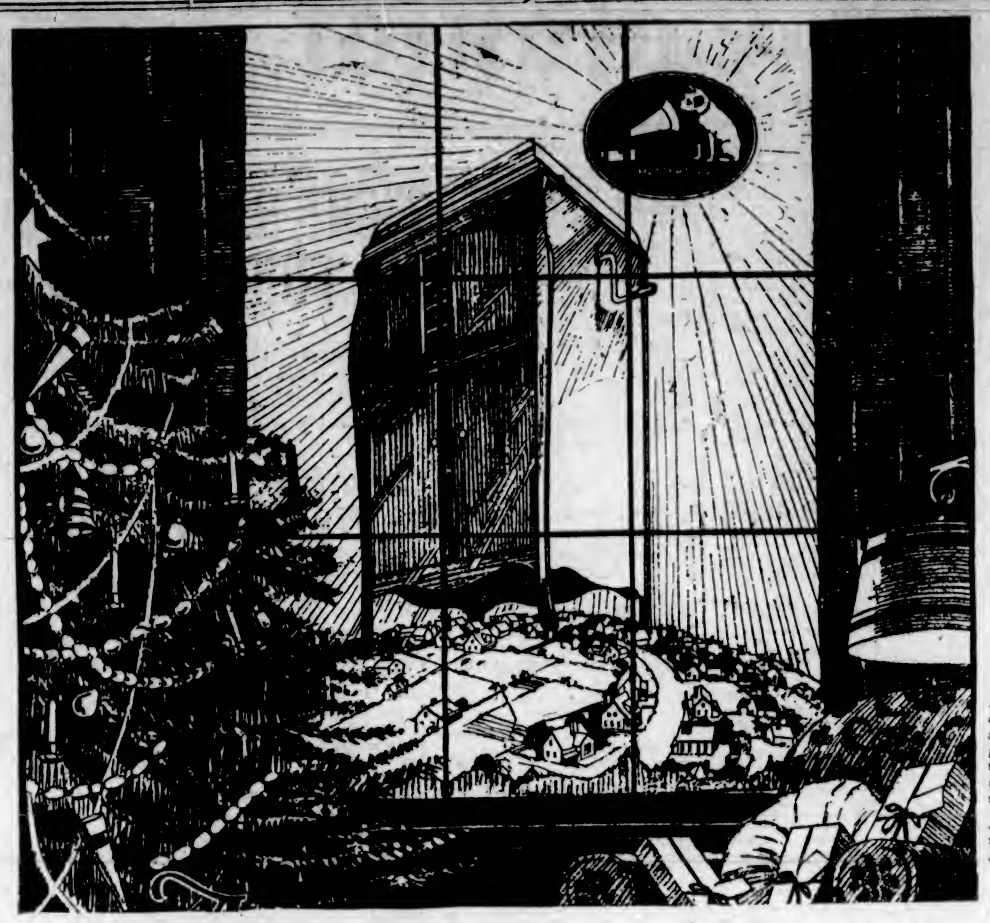
He has lived either in isolation with the Queen in the palace, or his movements have been carefully watched wherever he went; his mail opened and his servants shadowed and intimidated. He has appeared to consider the members of the American relief societies in Athens his most trusted friends, and he and his queen seemed to find much comfort in the companionship of these officials at the palace.

"It may sound gratifying to be King," said King George privately after he ascended the throne, "but I would rather be the humblest Athenian citizen than bear the responsibilities, worries and humiliation which have been heaped upon me since I have returned from the army."

The Republicans are busy arranging demonstrations in Athens and throughout Macedonia and Thrace in favor of removing the dynasty.

Quebec to Consider Automobile Owners

QUEBEC, Dec. 17.—The Government of the Province of Quebec contemplates lessening the tax burden on automobile owners and adjusting succession dues to decrease the amount levied in certain cases, Hon. L. P. Brodeaur, Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, in delivering the speech from the throne at the opening of the sixteenth provincial legislature, announced this afternoon. The future of Quebec, said the Lieutenant-Governor, depends chiefly on its colonization and agricultural policies, the exploitation of its forests and the control of waterpower.



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FOUR BURIED ALIVE IN QUEBEC LANDSLIDE

Covered by Twenty Feet of Sand, Laborers Succumb Before Rescue—One Saved

KENOGAMI, Que., Dec. 17.—Caught in a landslide while working in a sandpile on a farm near here Saturday four men were buried alive and were dead before rescuers could effect their release. A fifth man succeeded in making his escape. The victims were: Joseph Lebel, 42, father of nine children; Adelard Tremblay, 24; Georges Leveaque, 25, and Victor Leveaque, 20.

In the last few days large quantities of sand had been removed from the pile and a small slide was reported Saturday morning. While the four men were working together in the afternoon the fatal slide occurred, the sand rolling down on a width of 150 feet. It took seven hours' work by 50 men to remove the 20 feet of sand covering the victims to reach them. The fourth man was located yesterday morning.

Premier Warren Returns

HALIFAX, Dec. 17.—Premier W. R. Warren, of Newfoundland, arrived in Halifax yesterday on his return from participating in the Imperial Conference in London. Premier Warren expressed himself as greatly satisfied with the Imperial Conference which, he said, had accomplished much good.

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TORONTO, Dec. 17.—Thomas E. O'Connor, private secretary to H. J. Daly, president of the defunct Home Bank, and who was held on $20,000 bail as a material witness for the Crown in the prosecution of the directors and officials of the suspended institution, died in St. Michael's Hospital early this morning from uraemic poisoning. O'Connor was placed in the institution yesterday morning following complaints of pains in the head, which he attributed to a fall while entering his apartment on Jarvis Street on Friday night. The injury is said to have contributed to his death, but in the opinion of Dr. Silverthorne, of the hospital staff, the cause was uraemic poisoning, resulting from kidney trouble.

Wright Brothers' First Flight Remembered

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The 20th anniversary of the first flight in an airplane by the Wright Brothers was prominently mentioned by newspapers today, which compare recent developments in flying with the skepticism and even ridicule that the Wrights at first had to contend with.

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QUEBEC, Dec. 17. — Lascivious dances of all kinds and the fabrication, sale and clandestine importation of intoxicating liquors are prohibited in a pastoral letter and synod decree by Cardinal Begin, read in all the Roman Catholic Churches of the city yesterday.

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Conservatives Want Fullest Possible Investigation, Mr. W. J. Bowser Tells House—Denies Rumored Friction

MR. HINCHLIFFE MOVES FOR FAIR COMMISSION

Mr. R. H. Pooley Contends All Members of Legislature Concerned Want Situation Cleaned Up at Once

THAT the Conservative party in the House is united in its desire that there shall be the fullest possible inquiry into not alone the personal charges made against himself, but also into those matters set forth in the motion presented by his colleague, Mr. Joshua Hinchliffe, Mr. W. J. Bowser, leader of he opposition, in the Legislature yesterday morning, made it clear that rumors of differences between Conservative members on the point of an investigation were wholly unwarranted. He welcomed an inquiry, he declared, and so did the Conservative opposition.

The motion of Mr. Hinchliffe called for the appointment of a Royal Commission, not exceeding three members, to be appointed under the Public Inquiries Act, to investigate charges made on the floor of the House and in public in regard to the construction of the P.G.E. Railway, as well as the charges against the Premier and other members of the House, the relations between the company and contractors, or any other persons or firms, and the fullest investigation into the personal dealings of any or all members of the Legislature in connection therewith.

Three Facts Stand Out

Three facts stood out, declared Mr. Hinchliffe in moving his motion. First, although a commission had been spoken of in the press, there has not been forthcoming any definite assurance from the Government relative thereto; secondly, if any commission is named, the Legislature should have the say as to the subject matter of the inquiry and the extent of the powers of the commission. Thirdly, that as certain people are now within the purview of that statute known as "Oliver's curse," it is necessary to have appointed as fair a commission as possible carried on along the fairest of lines.

Mr. R. H. Pooley declared every member of the House to be personally concerned in the charges brought against public men of the Province. It was time the question was cleaned up once and for all.

First Time Honor Impugned

Mr. W. J. Bowser referred to the rumors in the lobbies and elsewhere that there is friction in the ranks of the Conservative Opposition over this matter of investigation. These rumors he unqualifiedly denied. As for the charges against himself that he had received $50,000 from P.G.E. interests, he declared that in the course of his political life he had received some heavy blows from his friends opposite, but this was the first time his honor had been impugned.

"I court the fullest investigation into the personal charges against myself," declared Mr. Bowser. "I hope the Government will appoint a man or men of unimpeachable character and ability, in whose decision the public may have the fullest confidence."

CLAIMS PREMIER BLOCKS EFFORT TO GET P. G. E. TRUTH

"In view of the recent publicity given to charges, it can easily be seen why the Premier does not want the motion. It is only another case of blocking Opposition efforts to get at the facts," declared Mr. W. K. Esling in the Legislature yesterday morning when the Premier, on a point of order, attempted to rule out the motion by Rossland's member asking for a return of all correspondence between the Premier, as Minister of Railways, and the chief engineer; between the Premier and accountant and other officials in the department between October 1, 1919, and March 31, 1920.

Premier Oliver held the motion out of order because a similar one had been present last session and refused.

Mr. Esling held that refusal was based upon the fact that the matter had then been referred to the Public Accounts Committee. That was not the case this year.

Mr. Bowser, did not consider the Premier's point of order well taken.

Mr. Speaker took the matter under consideration.

HEROIC WOMAN DIES

TORONTO, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Sarah Grossman, 44, lost her life, and eleven other persons, eight of them children, narrowly escaped a similar fate when fire swept through a brick house. Mrs. Grossman had placed her children in places of safety when she collapsed while seeking another avenue of escape.

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DECLARES CITIES VIOLATED DUTY

Attorney-General Accuses Municipalities of Refusing "in Contemptible Fashion" to Enforce Liquor Law

DESCRIBES HIS VIEW OF PROVINCE'S POLICY

Explains Reasons for Plebiscite on Beer Sale—Holds Public Does Not Take Present Legislation Seriously

DECLARING that if the proper enforcement of the Liquor Act is to be secured, and that the policy of the Government is not to sell liquor, but make it reasonably available, Hon. A. M. Manson, Attorney-General, in moving the second reading of the Liquor Act amending bill to regulate clubs and grant beer licences thereto, and the measure providing for a plebiscite on the question of sale of beer by the glass, took occasion to roundly score the municipalities for their indifference in enforcing the law. In unorganized sections where the Province enforced the act he believed enforcement had been accomplished as far as humanly possible in view of the shortcomings of the existing act.

In the municipalities, on the other hand, such had not been the case. The Province had been forced to step in and it was proposed to make those municipalities pay for that work. For instance, he said, Vancouver would be called upon to contribute approximately $20,000, he said.

"There has been a breach of faith, of duty, on the part of the municipalities throughout this Province. Men otherwise respectable, many occupants of front pews, have refused in most contemptible fashion to aid this Government in enforcement of the law. Their action is a breach of the rule of good citizenship and loyalty to their own Province," declared the Attorney-General who emphasized the point that this spirit of non-enforcement was pernicious to the observance of all laws. It was therefore provided in the bill that the enforcement of the proposed club regulations would be taken from the municipalities and assumed by the Province.

Experimental Law

The Liquor Act, Hon. Mr. Manson went on, is experimental legislation and it could be expected that yearly amendments would be made to it. He referred to the difficulties had with clubs in the past and to the "deliberate action of Vancouver in licensing such clubs, a step which had had a serious effect upon law enforcement in other parts of the Province. He was glad to see that Victoria had refused to follow the example set by Vancouver.

The sale of beer might not in itself be a very bad thing but following it in the clubs came hard liquor and gambling and many of them became nothing but dives. He referred to the public indifference growing up in the matter of liquor regulation and pointed to the fact that in the last year of prohibition doctors had issued 647,000 permits. Today there were about 46,000 permits.

"In that attitude you have a test of the act. You have got to have an act you can enforce. I am not prepared to entrust the enforcement of these provisions to the municipality," continued the Attorney-General, referring to Vancouver where the police commissioners, named by the Government, and the city council got into a political fight and ultimately the control of licensing the clubs was placed in the hands of one Jones, president of a Conservative association. It was a wrong principle to have political influence at the head of that work whether Conservative or Liberal. Then there had been a quarrel between the police and council over the amount to be appropriated for the former, creating further difficulties in enforcement of the act."

The proposed amendments would meet the proprietary club situation, he said; it was not proposed to interfere with standard social clubs where members or many of them make their homes—that principal was already established by the Legislature.

Explains Licences

In explaining the provisions of the bill the Attorney-General pointed out that every club not granted a licence will be a public place wherein, under the present act, no liquor may be kept. The licensing of clubs will be done with care. They must be real clubs properly organized, authorized and conducted, not mere profit-making concerns for two or three men.

Under the provision of the bill requiring that anyone transporting liquor by water from one point in the Province to another, must do so under permit, Hon. Mr. Manson explained it would give the board ability to keep tab on shipments and ascertain where the liquor was going. Liquor purchased at a Government store would go forward with the permit attached to its destination; liquor bought from the bootlegger and intended for illicit sale in lumber camps and elsewhere would not be shipped for it would have no permit. In this connection Mr. Manson stated that the export warehouses have practically given up the illicit sale of liquor. It had been a long fight but he believed that now the warehouses are observing the regulations.

It was proposed, he stated, to cut the fine for drunkenness from $50 to $25, a figure which would be a deterrant and yet not be the hardship the higher figure had proved to be in many instances. The fact was there had been comparatively little drunkenness in public places in the past.

Relative to the provision that no charge shall be made for export licences for manufacturers of wine from fruit produced in this Province, Mr. Manson said arangements had been made by the board to carry stocks and he hoped to see the experiment succeed.

In providing for officers entering premises without warrant, the Attorney-General stated it was proposed that only the higher and more experienced officials shall be allowed to do so and then only upon authorization of the Attorney-General. Inspectors appointed by municipalities will be granted such authority.

Doubts Demand

On the bill providing for the plebiscite on the sale of beer by the glass, Mr. Manson said he always had grave doubts as to any substantial demand for sale of beer by the glass, but there was a sufficient portion of the public which wanted to make it extremely difficult to enforce the present regulations and respect for the law and adequate enforcement thereof warranted the submission of the question. Consumption by the glass, should it be authorized, would have to be done on the premises. Licences would be carefully issued and strictly supervised. Cancellation of a licence would mean that those same premises could not get another even if a new proprietor were appointed. Beer would be sold only at tables with or without food but no bars would be permitted. As to hours of sale, that was a matter for regulation but personally, he felt from noon until 9 p.m. would be ample.

The Attorney-General explained that the provision concerning the two-fifths vote had been misunderstood. If the vote was put on a basis of a straight poll throughout the whole Province and forty-nine per cent only voted for the question, while, say, the City of Vancouver voted 75 per cent, it would mean that there would be no right to grant licences and the situation would be as before. But, he argued, there should be some "foundation vote" to decide what the main spirit of the electors was. The principle adopted was that if there were a two-fifths vote in favor of beer then those places which give a fifty per cent majority will be entitled to have sale by the glass. But if less than a two-fifths vote in the Province then Vancouver would not get it even if there the vote went 100 per cent. Points which might vote against it while the required two-fifths vote in the Province was exceeded, may later—perhaps in a year's time, no limit would be fixed except by the board—would be entitled on petition to hold a plebiscite on the question.

Issue Undesirable

Under the bill the Government could submit a referendum on the question of Government control versus prohibition, explained the minister, but he believed that at the present time it was not desirable to put that issue. In the interests of the Province, and in view of the growing moderation spirit elsewhere, it was better to test out the present system and give it full trial.

Under the bill, too, committees will be permitted to take vote upon the question of the establishment of a Government store thereat, something which has occasioned trouble hitherto and to deal with which there has been no machinery.

Mr. R. H. Pooley adjourned the debate on both bills.

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Pioneer Journalist Dies at Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, Dec. 17. — James Hooper, one of the pioneer newspapermen of Manitoba, died at his home here today after some years of failing health.

Mr. Hooper was born in Devonshire in 1855. He came to Canada in 1881, and for ten years he was employed on newspapers in London. He launched The Herald at Morris, Man., in 1889, this being one of the earliest newspapers in the province. He gathered news for the first issue of The Winnipeg Tribune, subsequently being employed on The Winnipeg Telegram as managing editor, and on The Winnipeg Free Press. In 1900 Mr. Hooper was appointed King's Printer for Manitoba, a post which he gave up several years ago. In his latter years he has done as much newspaper work and general writing as his health would permit.

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A "LIBERAL" AMENDMENT

Perhaps the most amazing thing about the proposed amendment to the Public Inquiries Act is the supine way in which many members of the Legislature, are regarding this overt attempt to interfere with the liberty of speech. Possibly they have not brought their understandings to bear on its implications. We might admit their seeming indifference to the freedom of the press. The press is fully competent for its own defence and armed at all points in its own just quarrels, but our legislators are the direct representatives of the people, and where the liberty of speech of the latter is concerned it is the Legislature that is looked to as the safeguard. It is recognized by anyone who has taken the trouble to study the evolution of the law of society that sumptuary or other enactments designed to regulate the private tastes, or habits, or speech, of citizens, trench on a province that is wholly beyond the reach of human law. It should be patent that a very real obstacle is placed in the way of personal liberty, where all the members of the state, without respect of office and position, are not equally amenable to the law of the land. The object of Mr. Manson's amendment is to free himself and his colleagues from adverse, but legitimate criticism, for if the criticism it is proposed to quash were not legitimate then there is always recourse to the courts.

The free expression of opinion on all subjects is of the very essence of political and social freedom. Mr. Manson seeks to quell this expression and we are very much inclined to think that he is attempting something that will be found ultra vires of the Province, as it is ultra vires of good government. It is extraordinary when an issue of this character is resurrected for retributive purposes that its dangerous features should not be recognized. It seems to be the product of rattled nerves, for we cannot believe for a moment that it was contemplated even a week ago. The amendment has been brought down in the dying hours of the session, and, presumably, will be forced through by a party vote. We are not concerned with its immediate purpose in any sense, but, with its ultimate implications. These are so serious that the fact such an amendment has emanated from a Liberal Government calls for a new definition of what the word "Liberal" stands for in politics.

DRUG TRAFFIC INQUIRY

There can be doubt in no mind that the illicit traffic in unlawful drugs is a matter connected very closely with the good government of the Province. On that ground it would seem to be well within the rights of the Attorney-General to conduct an independent investigation into the traffic so as to uncover all these nefarious dealings and the methods employed for perpetuating the traffic that are not being disclosed at the inquiry presided over by Commissioner Smith. There is still no indication of any change in the attitude of Ottawa in limiting the scope of the Vancouver inquiry. We call it a Vancouver inquiry with design, for such it is since the venue is being confined to that point in view of the hostile public opinion which prevails in this community. The whole trend of that inquiry indicates its finding, in every probability, will be a treatise of innocuous disculpation. We have the peculiar situation now of those who are on their defence being cross-examined solely by lawyers who are engaged in that defence, a condition which changes what should be in the nature of a court of a justice into a travesty.

Under the peculiar circumstances that have shrouded this Mounted Police inquiry it is small wonder that public curiosity and indignation should have been whetted to a severe degree. The silence of a portion of the press on the subject has accentuated public suspicion. We are, however, only concerned with what is the public demand, both here and in Vancouver, and are more particularly concerned that the authorities should become wholly alive in their efforts to stamp out the facilities which now prevail for the dispensation of unlawful drugs. It is essential that the whole matter, including the Dominion Government administration of the Opium and Narcotic Drugs Act, should be thoroughly investigated by a strong and impartial judicial mind. The people realize there is a good deal wrong. They want to know all particulars and they want the obvious remedies applied. They want an exposure of everyone, high and low, who is mixed up with the drug traffic.

It is clear now, painfully clear, that the Federal laws relating to the importation of drugs should be tightened. For one thing no person, Mounted Police or anyone else, should be allowed to go on or come off the ships from the Orient without being searched by the Customs officials. Those officials should, if necessary, be strengthened and in this way and in other ways there should be much more rigid safeguards than now exist to make it impossible for drugs to be imported. It is felt also by those who have followed the developments that there should be an amendment to the Shipping Act making every steamship company liable to a penalty if drugs are found upon any of its ships. Yet another safeguard in the administration of the law would be that instead of as at present a limitation of six months within which prosecution may be brought for summary proceedings under the Act, it should be extended to two years.

It is for the Attorney-General to decide, in the event of the Dominion Government maintaining its present attitude, whether or not it is within his rights to have the whole question of the drug traffic investigated by the Province. We believe he will not let the situation rest where it is, for it is by far too serious an issue in which to adopt a policy of laissez faire. The people look to Mr. Manson as the mainspring of action in this particular. They have given conclusive evidences of their support of his attitude. He is asked to take the right and moral course and to devise ways and means whereby the law against the drug traffic will be enforced. He can, if he wants to, secure the unanimous backing of the Legislature if he needs this support in the appointment of a Provincial commission. In any case, to persuade Ottawa that this Province is in earnest, the Legislature should, before now, have taken up the subject and passed a strong resolution to be forwarded to the Federal capital.

THE PULPWOOD COMMISSION

The decision of the Legislature is that the question of the export of unmanufactured logs from British Columbia should be investigated by the Royal Commission on Pulpwood, provided permission to this effect is secured from the Federal authorities. After the criticism that has been levelled at that Commision the probability is that nothing more will be heard of the resolution of the Legislature of this Province and that the Government will have accomplished its object in having the issue shelved. The Pulpwood Commission has been described as "an example of political futility and a waste of public funds." Our Legislature wants to exaggerate that futility and enhance the waste of money. The chairman of the Commission is receiving $35 a day for his services. The other Commissioners, and there are four others, receive $25 per diem and each is entitled to draw $15 a day additional for expenses.

Toronto Saturday Night points out that the chairman of the Commission is a tobacco manufacturer who is apparently without experience in legislative or judicial procedure. That publication says he has practically turned over the conduct of the Commission to the "eminent and highly-paid lawyers who "accompany the entourage as representatives of the American interests." It claims that the American interests dominate the proceedings of the Commission, and, presumably, exactly the same would happen were the question of log exports to be referred to that body. Our Provincial Government must be fully aware of this, for Mr. Pattullo must know all about the wanderings and evidence submitted before the Pulpwood Commission, or else he would not have ventured to urge that such a body should inquire into the alienation of British Columbia's timber resources. What Mr. Pattullo should have told the Legislature, however, is his reason for wishing the question of log exports shelved. Toronto Saturday Night goes as far as to say "As it is carrying on, it (the Pulpwood Commission) presents the undignified and ludicrous situation of a Canadian Government Commission dominated by American interests and operating solely to establish their contentions as to how Canada's pulpwood resources shall be exploited." That is a serious charge, so serious that the British Columbia Legislature should reconsider its attitude on log exports to the extent, at least, that future action should not be left at the mercy of any body whose course of procedure renders it liable to suspicions that it is not in the best interests of Canada.

THE FICKLE FRIEND

The Winter of our friendship draweth nigh;
The Autumn tints have faded, one by one.
I see no more the blue—a cold, grey sky
Obscures the radiance of the Summer sun.

The Spring's bright promise is no more in view;
Nor does the warmth of halcyon days remain.
Ah, well! I must remember it is you—
And seek, elsewhere, for Happiness again.

—Ethel Seymour.

MORTUARY URN STOLEN

TOKIO, Dec. 17—Ashes of the body of Sakayi Osugi, a Socialist leader, were stolen from a room where the urn was lying in state just before the funeral which was set for yesterday afternoon. Osugi, his wife and child, were slain by Captain Amokusu, of the Gendarmeries, shortly after the earthquake. The officer, who admitted the killing, and who said his actions were patriotic, was sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment.

Note and Comment

By R. B. D.

The Irish Free State Government is reported to have decided to introduce a complete system of tariff protection for the industries of the country. Business in general in Ireland is said to be languishing to an alarming degree. Consequently the government is going to administer a stimulant. Thus the environments of free trade, already sufficiently circumscribed, are about to be further curtailed.

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Southern Ireland is not a great manufacturing country. The pursuits of the people are chiefly agricultural and their principal customers are the consumers of the great cities of Britain. But the Free State Government evidently aspires to greater things. It wants to make the country industrial, to give greater scope to the activities of its people. It wants to sell manufactured articles as well as products of the soil to the British people, who have decided to keep their markets open to all the world, to buy everything they require in the cheapest market. Such is one of the results of the recent election. Great Britain's position of economic isolation is to become more conspicuous than ever.

The perplexed financial experts of Europe are still building their hopes upon assistance from the United States. They are pleading with America to come over and tell them what ought to be done with Germany, whose leaders assert with vehemence that they cannot meet their obligations to the Allied Powers, and prove that they cannot by pointing out that they cannot even pay the salaries of the employees of the government.

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Europe might as well stop its humiliating postures and gestures, as it never will get any help from the United States. It ought to have been convinced of that fact long ago. If it had such access as we have to the newspapers of the republic it would have been convinced long ago. The people of the United States are not very much interested in the affairs of Europe. The only interest they have is in watching to see what is going to happen over here. If there should be collapse and disaster, there would be little concern, except in so far as the prospects and interests of the United States were likely to be affected.

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No one has any right to blame the people of the United States for their attitude. They say Europe is merely suffering from the consequences of its own acts and must take whatever measures are necessary to rehabilitate itself and establish its institutions and business in security. The appeal that no part of the world can be subjected to political, social and industrial disorder without all other parts of the world sharing in the evil consequences does not affect them at all. The fact that they are not detrimentally affected now, although chaos has prevailed for some considerable time, is sufficient proof to them of the soundness of their position. What can be said to controvert that position?

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The United States is on the eve of a presidential election. That fact overshadows all other considerations, at least in the minds of statesmen and politicians. President Coolidge, the present head of the administration, is a candidate for the highest office in the gift of the people. He is not going to say or do anything that may prejudice his position. It is a tradition of United States public men that their country must not be permitted to become entangled in the affairs of Europe, and if those affairs are very complicated, that is all the more reason why the United States should stand aloof. Consequently and unquestionably, therefore, Europe need not think that in her present extremity she is going to receive any assistance from the American Republic.

We suspect that the weather in Vancouver has been somewhat moist of late, because The Province comforts its readers with an announcement that in some parts of India the annual precipitation is more than thirty feet. Well, we might just as well be frank about it and confess that it has rained a little in Victoria during the past few days. But we have not encountered an infant monsoon, nor has the sun completely hidden his face even for a space of twenty-four hours. If an ardent and enthusiastic golfer were compelled to put aside his clubs for one day, be sure he would have something to say about it for publication. We doubt whether the authorized vocabulary of the links would be considered sufficient unto the occasion.

Evil days have indeed fallen upon the people of Great Britain. As if the political situation were not a sufficent agravation, foot and mouth disease, the most virulent of all cattle diseases, has broken out among live stock, and thousands of valuable beasts have been killed to protect the remainder of the herd. Great Britain, not Ireland, is now the most distressful isle; but she has a habit of muddling through even worse circumstances than are now perplexing her.

The Bolshevik rulers of Russia are reported to have dropped the name of their great country and to have declared it a "Union of Socialist Soviet Republics." The assumption is that the title now remains open and that the U.S.S.R. has unlimited power to add to its numbers. Bulgaria was the first state invited to enter the great alliance, but she prefers to remain small and independent.

Poems That Endure

Untwisting all the chains that tie
The hidden soul of harmony.
—John Milton.

As ships becalmed at eve, that lay
With canvas drooping, side by side,
Two towers of sail, at dawn of day
Are scarce long leagues apart descried.

When fell the night, up sprang the breeze,
And all the darkling hours they plied,
Nor dreamt but each the selfsame seas
By each was cleaving, side by side;

E'en so—but why the tale reveal
Of those whom, year by year unchanged,
Brief absence joined anew, to feel,
Astounded, soul from soul estranged?

At dead of night their sails were filled,
And onward each, rejoicing, steered;
Ah! neither blame, for neither willed
Or wist what first with dawn appeared.

To veer, how vain! On, onward strain,
Brave barks!—in light, in darkness too!
Through winds and tides one compass guides!
To that and your own selves be true.

But O, blithe breeze! and O, great seas!
Though ne'er that earliest parting past,
On your wide plain they join again,
Together lead them home at last.

One port, methought, alike they sought—
One purpose hold whate'er they fare,
O bounding breeze, O rushing seas,
At last, at last, unite them there.

—Arthur Hugh Clough.

By the Way—

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Name of Society Belied Its Purpose

THE "Order of Fools" was a society founded for humane and charitable purposes, by Adolphus, Count of Cleves, in 1381, and was limited to noblemen of high rank. The insignia, which was embroidered in brilliant colors on the left side of the member's mantle, was the figure of a court clown.

The "Order of Fools" held annual grand reunions which lasted for a week. The order continued strong and helpful until well into the Sixteenth Century. Gradually, however, the original purposes were lost sight of, and it died out.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the editor will be inserted except over the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception.

Public Inquiries Act Amendment

Sir,—Allow me, through your columns, to congratulate Mr. David Whiteside, Liberal member for New Westminster, for the stand he has taken in connection with this bill, and for the statement he made touching campaign funds and other things. He has always been regarded by those who have been quietly watching the activities of the members of the Legislature, on all sides of the House, as a clean Liberal, who is old-fashioned enough to retain some of the old principles of Liberalism and a high sense of the duties of his position in public life. It is a pity that he has stood what he must have seen for so long, but better late than never. So long as men of his calibre are courageous enough to speak out, even when it is against his own chief and party when he sees them steering the ship of state in a wrong direction, we need not despair.

I can appreciate Premier Oliver's feelings, and I can understand Attorney-General Manson's childish desire for revenge, but take care that it does not become a boomerang. I suggest to Premier Oliver that he is only reaping the whirlwind when he and his party consented to the sowing of the wind by certain Liberal organs in 1916 and 1920. From 1914 to 1916 there was a continuous campaign of calumny and slush against the Conservative leaders. The Conservative leaders, perhaps thinking more highly of the good sense of the public than events have justified, and remembering the dignity due to their position in public life, disdained to answer the charges through the press. It resulted in stampeding the Liberal party into power. Now the shoe in on the other foot, and I can see that Premier Oliver and his henchmen do not like the medicine which they themselves have meted out with high glee at every opportunity in the House and out of the House.

From 1914 to date the public has been fed upon nothing but a continuous stream of charges of corruption. Can one be surprised if the public confidence in those who rule them has been so undermined that they have been only too willing to believe charges, and have despaired of getting decent men to rule them, and feel almost hopeless and certainly apathetic?

But the principles of this bill are hopelessly wrong. The honor of members of the Government is no more to them than the honor of the humblest citizen. If the antecedents of the man who lays an information against the Government are to be inquired into and laid bare, then why not carry the principle further and require the municipal police to disclose the names of their informants and have them inquired into before a case can be proceeded with against any citizen? What about the antecedents of the stool pigeons of Mr. Manson's? Should they not first be laid bare before the honor and good name of a citizen is questioned?

Why should politicians be given such protection when the same protection is not extended to the humblest citizen?

May I suggest that the best protection is honesty of purpose and a high sense of public duty, which should be set above all party affiliations.

If the vicious cry of "to the victors belong the spoils" were abolished, and the Government showed a greater sense of respect for such information as may be supplied by the Opposition, then there would not be this outcry. Premier Oliver and his closest lieutenants have been the greatest offenders in this respect. Questions asked in the House by the Opposition have been given frivolous answers or treated with a lot of slush and dirt, instead of being listened to with a sense of their mutual responsibilities to the public.

Now that "the chicken has come home to roost" the Government does not like it, and taking advantage of its majority in the House, it is proposed to railroad a childish bill through which has for its purpose, not an honest attempt to get at the truth, but a weapon to throw dirt on others. Do two blacks ever make a white? Where does the public come in on this? Are we to understand that if the informant can be proved to have done something unworthy in his past, therefore the public must condone wrong-doing on the part of the Government, whether this be incompetency, neglect or anything else? Let me say this; the honor of the politician is no more than the honor of the citizen. If they are conscious of their own rectitude what is there to fear? Why all these hysterics and desires to get at the other fellow? Does the Government intend, in this, to prove to the public that there is no one honest, and that, therefore, we must put up with what we get? I strongly suggest to Premier Oliver that he should remember the dignity of his position and proceed in a dignified way to give every facility for a thorough investigation of an absolutely partial character. If he and his henchmen are conscious of their rectitude there will be nothing to fear and they will emerge with added power, but they must be men enough to take full responsibility of whatever consequences may result from the investigation. Any attempt at trying to discredit the informant will only give an impression that there is something to fear. Trust the public Mr. Oliver; that is the best advice that I can give you, and drop this silly, childish bill.

H. HASTINGS.

204 Union Bank Building, Victoria, B. C., December 15, 1923.

Public Inquiries Act

Sir,—I hope that the enormity of the Government's proposed amendment to the Public Inquiries Act will be appreciated by the public. The amendment is given in full in your issue of this morning.

The construction of the P.G.E. by the present Government has cost the Province many millions more than it should have done, whether according to the original estimates of the old company, or according to the estimates of the Government as given to the Legislature by the Hon. John Oliver. In these circumstances rumors of incompetence, extravagance, and even worse, in connection with the construction of this road have been rife for several years, and a year ago Mr. Esling charged that the cost had been inflated by the Construction Company, making large profits on sub-contracts which it should not have done. On this occasion the Government, by refusing to make the Construction Company produce its books, stifled any inquiry. Since then specific instances of maladministration in connection with the construction of the road, both of the kind indicated and in other ways, have been alleged in great detail, with the result that the Government has been forced by the pressure of public opinion at any rate to pretend to order an inquiry.

It was in view of this promised inquiry that the Government yesterday introduced the amendment to the Public Inquiries Act which I have referred to, and which may be summarized as providing that in the inquiry in question, and of course in other similar inquiries, the commissioner shall inquire into the conduct and character of persons who asked for the inquiry or who made any charges, as well as of the owners, publishers and editors of any papers who may have published the charges, including their motives and their past history.

It has been the rule in all courts from the earliest times that side issues, such as the motives and antecedents of witnesses or parties to an action, which do not form part of the real subject matter of the action, must not be inquired into, lest the administration of justice suffer by confusing the real issues which are the subject of the action. Perhaps that is why we find that when the Government is driven to grant an inquiry, they take care to provide that the investigation shall be so mixed up with irrelevant matters that the real objects of the inquiry, namely the manner in which the public funds of the Province have been administered, shall be lost sight of. In plain English, the Government is afraid of an inquiry; but as they have to have one, they propose to stage a "dog fight" and call it an inquiry.

I am not, and have no intention of becoming, a member of General McRae's party. I do not know that gentleman, and I consider that he has been conducting a campaign of deliberate misrepresentation so far as the Conservatives are concerned. Thus, while I have no desire to protect the General, I think it should be pointed out that the people who will be on trial at this inquiry are the Government, and not the Third Party or its leaders. As for the leader of the Third Party, he can be attended to by the electors if and when he seeks formality to enter public life.

If the Government was not guilty of the charges levelled against it, or of similar offences, it would welcome an inquiry, which would recoil upon the persons making the allegations if the Government could establish its innocence. The Government has up to the last moment refused to grant an inquiry, and now that an inquiry must come, the Government has insured in advance that under a subservient commissioner it will be so confused that the general public will get but little light from it.

I would only add that if anybody actuated by improper motives makes an untrue charge of a serious nature against a public man, the latter has his remedy in the courts, which makes an investigation of motive additionally unnecessary in such an inquiry. However, we know that the Premier, at any rate, is afraid of the courts. It is not so very long ago that R. T. Elliott, K.C., made a number of very serious charges against the Premier in his famous telegram. The Premier took proceedings for libel, but was very careful to complain of only one of these charges, with the result that the truth of the others could not be established in court. On the one charge of which he did care to complain, the Premier got a verdict in damages of twenty-five cents.

If the electors of British Columbia let the Government get away with this without a strenuous protest, both now, and at the polls at the next general election, they may say good-bye to all hope of a decent Government for this generation. And they will have nobody to blame but themselves.

H. W. R. MOORE.

302-3 Pemberton Building, Victoria, B.C., December 14, 1923.

Signatories of Petition

Sir,—From conversations held with various persons, I feel that a large proportion of the public does not know who have signed the petition demanding an inquiry into the various matters connected with the P.G.E., etc., presented by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to the Prime Minister last Saturday.

The signatures to the petition are those of the executives of the Association of the Provincial Party acting on behalf of the Provincial Party. These gentlemen were chosen from amongst the delegates who to the number of 325 assembled in Vancouver last week to hold a convention. These delegates represented at least 23,500 voters in all parts of this province.

Such vulgar abuse as the Premier thought fit to pour out last evening in the House leaves me, and I should think every member of the Provincial Party, entirely unmoved. It is merely a worn-out weapon of the professional politician. Why not get down to the business of arranging a non-partisan inquiry in the shape of the royal commission asked for? Let the motives and actions of all concerned be thoroughly investigated, and let us pray that the result will be clean government, which is what every member of the Provincial Party is out for, and which is what we intend to get.

ARTHUR H. BUCK,
Major, late R.A.M.C.T.

A Delegate of the Convention, Sidney, B.C., December 14, 1923.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily British Colonist of December 18, 1873)

More Fruits for the Government Policy—While Mr. Fawcett was at church on Sunday night, at Nanaimo, Philip Chalk, under arrest for stabbing Richard Nightingale, broke jail and got clear. A reward of $100 is offered for his return to safe quarters. How say you, gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly, have not the Government cheesemongers proved miserable bunglers, at best?

The Supposed Wreck—The vicinity of Cadboro and Oak Bays was searched yesterday by parties from the city, but no signs of a wreck were seen. The schooner Experiment came in from Nanaimo yesterday and put to rest the anxiety felt on her account. The schooner Isabella has arrived, and some say that the last load she carried from the inlet was for Nanaimo. In that case she, too, is safe.

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Late Mr. Samuel Terrell Served on Council of Neighboring Municipality for Two Years

The death occurred yesterday of Mr. Samuel Terrell, of 927 Pembroke Street, at the age of 67 years. Deceased was born in England, but had been a resident of Victoria for the past ten years, and for two years, 1919 and 1920, served on the Saanich Municipal Council. He is survived by one daughter, Miss Mary Terrell, of Victoria, three sisters and one brother, residence of the province of Ontario. Before coming to British Columbia, the late Mr. Terrell was a resident of Guelph, Ontario.

The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon of this week from the Sands Funeral Chapel to the afternoon boat for the Mainland, the remains being forwarded to Guelph, Ontario, for interment in the family plot in that city. Services will be held by Rev. William Elliott, assisted by Rev. Dr. Sipprell, of the Metropolitan Methodist Church.

UNITED ISLAND ASKS FULL REPRESENTATION

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be regarded as anything but an integral part of British Columbia, and that whilst we are unfortunately separated geographically by a sheet of water, we are politically one with the Mainland, and that the cry that had been raised in regard to some slight discrimnation that existed in favor of the Island, was one that could only raise an old and what we believed to be a buried feud. We believe the action complained of, which has been taken by the members in caucus, should be condemned by every man desirous of maintaining the complete unity of the Province.

"Already by the action of the special committee of the Legislature, a split might have occurred between Victoria and the neighboring municipality of Esquimalt, and now their action offers through a misunderstanding, an incentive for this very same thing to occur between Victoria and their neighbors of the Cowichan Valley. The irony of the situation lies in the fact that whereas, through their misapprehension, the Cowichan people have blamed Victoria for the situation that has arisen, the fault appears to lie entirely with the members of the Mainland of British Columbia, who fear that the Island may have some slight advantage and are rather prepared to sacrifice one of the oldest and most important districts rather than increase the legislature to some small extent."

Mr. J. L. Beckwith complimented Mr. Schwengers on the 'able manner in which he had conducted the city's case before the redistribution committee, saying, amid laughter at what was regarded apparently as a doubtful compliment, that he had talked to them like a veteran politician.

When the combined forces of the Island reached the Parliament Buildings last night, Mr. M. P. Blair, vice-president of the Associated Boards, in the absence of President John W. Coburn, introduced the speakers, saying that they were there to protest against any reduction of representation on Vancouver Island.

Dr. D. E. Kerr, Duncan, said they wished to retain the integrity of the whole island. Cowichan was one of the oldest constituencies in the Province, and was increasing in wealth and in population. It had nothing in common, socially or industrially, with Newcastle.

Mr. J. Y. Copeman stated that they wanted the Island left as it was. It would be a severe blow at settlement if any change were made. The whole Island, he said, would protest against it very strongly. He pointed out that the members of the redistribution committee that went into this matter were all from the Mainland. If there had been Island representation on that committee he felt that things might have been otherwise.

Urge No Haste

Mr. G. H. Walton, of Sidney, said that the Province might do with fewer members, but Sidney was unalterably opposed to any reduction of Vancouver Island representation. The Island produced one-third of the revenue of the Province.

C. P. W. Schwengers, president of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce, asked that no hasty action be taken until the Associated Boards of Trade could place their whole case before the government. Cowichan was an old riding and had a population that stood second to no other in the Province. It was known in the Old Country and inestimable injury might be done in the matter of colonization if the action that was proposed should be taken. Mr. Schwengers also voiced the sentiment that had Vancouver Island been represented on the committee, the situation might have been more impartially dealt with. He proposed that the Island should be treated the same as Quebec was in the Dominion, and made the basis for representation in the carrying out of redistribution. He also suggested that it might be better to shelve the redistribution bill for another year.

Premier Oliver, replying, said that there had never been a redistribution passed in which more data were available. Vancouver Island had been discriminated against in no way and it had the advantage over the Mainland in point of representation under the present bill. On no consideration had there been any discrimination. The bill, he said, would be dealt with in committee of the whole House.

At the gathering there the following were present:

Premier Oliver, Hon. John Hart, Mr. J. Hinchliffe, Mr. J. Clearihue, Mr. Harry Pooley, Mr. Kenneth Duncan, Mr. M. H. Jackson, Mr. Sam Guthrie, and Major R. Burde. The Associated Boards of Trade were represented by the following: Mr. M. P. Blair, of Victoria, vice-president; Mr. C. P. W. Schwengers, president of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce; Messrs. Frank Waring, J. L. Beckwith, A. Carmichael, General R. P. Clark, A. F. Griffith, H. H. Fynn, of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Kerr, Messrs. A. Peterson, E. W. Neel, J. Y. Copeman and Capt. Barkley, of Duncan.

Bill Draws Near

Victoria will retain its four members, if the report of the select committee on redistribution, tabled in the Legislature yesterday afternoon, is adopted by the House. The report also advocated taking from the riding of Cowichan the Cobble Hill, Shawnigan Lake, and Cloose polling places and putting them into Esquimalt riding, and to add to the remainder of Cowichan district the Newcastle district.

A summary of the committee's findings also calls attention to the following changes in other ridings:

The Queen's Bay poll is taken from the proposed new Kaslo-Slocan district and added to Creston district — the latter a new riding; a few polling places proposed to be taken from Fort George and included in Omineca, will be restored to the former; the old boundary line between Grand Forks and Slocan ridings will be re-established. Kamloops district will be divided into two ridings to be known as Kamloops and Salmon Arm respectively and the Skeena and Omineca will also be divided into ridings. The town of Ashcroft will be restored to Yale whence it was proposed to move it. A small section will be taken a small area from Lillooet district and add it to Kamloops.

Fuller explanation of the Mainland changes will be given when the report of the committee comes before the House. Without the maps which the committee had before it the report might as well be written in Greek so far as the ordinary layman is concerned.

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PREVENT MEMBER FROM KILLING ONE OF OWN CLAUSES

The Legislature played a little joke on Mr. J. H. Clearihue yesterday afternoon when that member, having introduced a bill to amend the Shops Regulation Act, sought to strike out one of his own clauses and the House carried it over his head.

The clause was aimed at the elimination of employing boys after hours delivering goods, but Mr. Clearihue said that on second thoughts it might be unwise to prevent boys trying to work their way through school from picking up a little extra money. Labor members thought the clause as introduced was an excellent one and after some debate defeated Mr. Clearihue's striking-out motion amid the laughter of the members.

The other section of the Act prohibited hawkers from selling their goods from house to house during the weekly half-holiday.

Mr. Clearihue said this was aimed at unfair competition by Orientals against the established retail stores.

J. W. deB. Farris stated that housewives were opposed to the clause, and J. W. Jones said it might also interfere with the white farmers who wished to deal directly with consumers.

The debate waxed quite warm for a while but the section was finally adopted.

OBITUARIES

McLACHLAN—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth McKenzie McLachlan will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Rev. W. G. Wilson will officiate, and the remains will be laid to rest at Ross Bay Cemetery. The late Mrs. McLachlan passed away at the family residence, 1141 Caledonia Avenue, last Saturday, at the age of 66. She was born in Lanark, Ontario, and had been a resident of this city for the past twenty-one years. She was a highly-respected neighbor and friend, and was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, where she had been a member for many years.

ROSS—The funeral of the late Charles Lisle Ross, who passed away at his home, 402 Chester Avenue, last Friday, will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Mr. Bickell will officiate, and the remains will be laid to rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park. The late Mr. Ross is survived by, besides his widow, four sons and three daughters, also one brother.

VETERAN PASSES

Mr. James Henry Gordon Was Member of British Campaigners' Association

The death took place yesterday at the family residence, 703 Pine Street, of James Henry Gordon, age 64 years, born in Plymouth, England, and a resident of this city for the past 8 years, formerly from Tofino, B.C. The late Mr. Gordon is survived by, besides his widow, four sons and one brother. He was a member of the British Campaigners, under whose auspices the funeral will take place, on Thursday, December 20, at 2:30 o'clock, from the Sands Funeral Chapel, when Captain C. Reid will officiate and the remains will be laid to rest at Ross Bay Cemetery.

All ex-service men are cordially invited to attend the funeral. By kind permission of the G.O.C.M.D. 11, the deceased will be buried with full military honors.

Mr. Gordon was a valued member of the British Campaigners' Association. He had served for over 30 years in the R. F. Artillery, winning the Distinguished Conduct Medal during the South African campaign, for distinguished service on the field. He served in many parts of the Empire, retiring from service in India after 30 years.

The deceased was a past Junior Warden in the Grand Lodge of England, A.F. and A.M.

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NATIVE DAUGHTER EXPIRES IN SOUTH

Mrs. Arthur Southall and Young Son Die in California Under Tragic Circumstances

The many friends of Mrs. Arthur Southall, formerly Miss Annie Smillie, of this city, will be shocked to hear of her death, which occurred recently in San Francisco, California, and the death of her three-year-old son, Alfred Lloyd, who predeceased her by less than two weeks.

The circumstances surrounding the passing of Mrs. Southall and her son are very tragic. Mr. and Mrs. Southall, accompanied by their two children, went south about six months ago. Mr. Southall, who is the son of Mr. Alfred Southall, the local stove dealer on Fort Street, was formerly in the same business here, where he and his family have resided.

Mr. Southall had made preparations to enter the stove business for himself in San Francisco, when suddenly his youngest son, Alfred Lloyd, was taken seriously ill, and within three days passed away. The shock of his death proved a great blow to his parents, and in fact, Mrs. Southall, unable to recover from it, became sick, pneumonia developed, and the most skilled medical men in San Francisco were unable to save her life. Mr. Southall almost lost his other son, who was hovering between life and death for several days.

The late Mrs. Southall was well known here, having been born and educated in this city. Both her parents are dead, although she leaves to mourn her loss, in addition to her husband and young son, both of whom have returned to Victoria, one sister, May Smillie, and two brothers, Andrew and William Smillie, who reside at 53 San Juan Avenue.

With the Lawmakers

Liberal Insurgents

Insurgency in the ranks of the Liberal members of the Legislature displayed itself yesterday afternoon when an amendment to the Insurance Act, introduced by Capt. Ian Mackenzie, striking out the clause which prevented the Superintendent of Insurance from entering a non-board insurance office and demanding access to the books, failed by a mixed vote of the House. Four Liberal members voted for the amendment, these being Messrs. Ian Mackenzie, H. F. Kergin, F. W. Anderson and K. C. MacDonald. The Independents lined up solid with the government as did Mr. J. H. Schofield, Conservative member for Trail. The amendment was lost by a vote of 28 to 17.

Mr. F. W. Anderson, Liberal member for Kamloops, opposed the "star chamber methods" of officials in prying into private business. Also stating his approval of the amendment, Mr. H. F. Kergin, Liberal member for Atlin, moved to adjourn the debate but this was voted down.

Opposition's Privilege

A non-government member may, when a bill is in the committee stage, move to reduce taxation but he cannot move to increase it. That was Mr. Speaker Pauline's decision yesterday when the point came up. The chairman of the committee on the gasoline tax, Capt. Ian Mackenzie, had ruled out Mr. Jones' motion to cut the tax from three to two cents per gallon, on the ground that it dealt with government revenue.

Mr. Speaker quoted decisions of former speakers and the practice in the British and Canadian Houses. The Canadian authorities held a member could move to reduce taxation and he held Mr. Jones was quite right.

Speaker Pauline held, however, that the Jones motion carried with it the right of appeal to the House through the Speaker. The bill was then proceeded with.

Province Buys River Bank.

Hon. Dr. W. H. Sutherland, Minister of Public Works, introduced in the Legislature last night a bill providing for the purchase by the Province of the strip of river bank on the south side of Columbia Street, New Westminster, used by the Province for the road approaching the New Westminster bridge. The Province is to pay $20,000 and the funds are to be applied to alleviate the oppressive local improvement tax falling upon the north side property owners who are paying for the whole of the improvements on Columbia Street in that block.

Gasoline Tax

Mr. J. W. Jones' amendment to the bill authorizing the collection of a tax of three cents a gallon on gasoline sales, reducing the figure to two cents a gallon, met with defeat in committee in the Legislature yesterday morning. Mr. Jones was supported by Mr. R. H. Pooley, Esquimalt, who stated that he saw a difficulty in collecting such a tax. He favored a bill which would make visitors to the province foot the cost of the building and upkeep of roads provided for their use. These visitors were out for pleasure, he maintained, and the average tourist would not mind the extra dollar or two so long as he was traveling over roads free from bumps.

Liquor Profits

In reply to Mr. J. W. Jones, Conservative member for South Okanagan, who in the Legislature yesterday morning urged upon the government early payment to the municipalities of their respective shares of the liquor profits, Attorney-General Manson stated that the payments were being made, but had been delayed somewhat because of the time taken in preparation of the balance sheet of the Liquor Board. He agreed with Mr. Jones that the municipalities desire to receive their payments so that they can make up their balance sheets for the year.

DRY DELEGATION PICKS FLAWS IN LIQUOR CHANGES

Yesterday a delegation from the Provincial Prohibition Association, headed by Mr. W. Peck, the general secretary of the organization, waited on the Attorney-General and presented its views on the proposed Liquor Act amendments. Protest was entered against some of the features of the beer sections of the bill.

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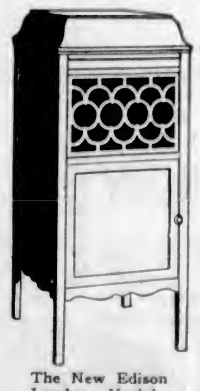

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City and District

Parades Cancelled—All parades of No. 2 Company, 1st Division Train, C.A.S.C., have been cancelled until after Christmas.

Returns to City—Mr. Stewart Simpson, formerly of Victoria, has returned here and will make his residence in the city during the Winter.

11th C.M.R.'s—Drill will be held by No. 1 Company, 11th Canadian Machine Gun Brigade, tonight at 8 o'clock, at the Drill Hall. After tonight's parade no further drills will be held until January 8, 1924.

Were Found in Resort—Lay and six other Chinamen pleaded guilty before Magistrate Jay yesterday to the charge of being found in an opium den in Fisgard Street, and were each fined in the sum of $20.

Canadian Scottish—The 16th Canadian Scottish Battalion will meet tonight at 8:15 o'clock, at the Drill Hall. Dress will be drill order. It is important that every member be present, as after this date there will be no parade until January 8, 1924.

Struck by Car—Mrs. W. Edmonds, 916 Russell Street, was struck and knocked down by a motor car evidently owned by the White Lunch Company, at the corner of Douglas and Yates Streets, at noon yesterday. Mrs. Edmonds suffered some painful bruises and her coat was torn, and a heel knocked from one of her shoes.

House Entered—Mr. Edward Glover, 774 Hillside Avenue, reported to the police department yesterday that sometime between 8:30 oclock Sunday afternoon and 10 o'clock Sunday night, his residence was entered, the thief evidently having a key for the front door. Cash to the amount of $11.50 was taken and a gold brooch and an Eversharp pencil.

Business From Boats—Merchants are already feeling the benefit of the new arrangements at the docks whereby passengers on American steamers are allowed ashore freely while the ships are in port here. At the directors' meeting of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday a letter was read from Messrs. W. & J. Wilson assuring the Chamber to that effect.

Asked to Keep Post—Mr. W. J. Clubb, one of the trustees of the Victoria Auto Camp, who tendered his resignation recently when charged with spending money "like a drunken sailor," will retain his post if the Chamber of Commerce can induce him to do so. The directors of the Chamber yesterday unanimously decided to ask him to reconsider his decision.

Princess Alexandra Lodge — The election of officers of Princess Alexandra Lodge, D.O.E., resulted as follows: President, Sister King; vice-president, Sister Edwards; secretary, Sister Bridges; treasurer, Sister Coldwell; chaplain, Sister Shrimpton; first guide, Sister Skett; second guide, Sister Hatcher; third guide, Sister Stockley; fourth guide, Sister Coldwell; inside guard, Sister Barton; outside guard, Sister Watson; pianist, Sister Swan; trustees, Sisters Oliver and Temple; auditors, Sister S. Smith, Elsemore, Nute; medical officer, Dr. Bechtel.

Lodge Primrose—Lodge Primrose, No. 32, D. & M.O.E., held their quarterly meeting Friday night, W.P. Sister Manson in the chair. There was a splendid report of the bazaar and a good balance for the contingent fund. The officers for the ensuing year were elected, and the installation will take place on January 11. The anniversary will be held in Harmony Hall, Fort Street, on December 28, and will take the form of a banquet for members at 7 p.m., and a social dance at 9 p.m., to which the Sons of England and Daughters are cordially invited, also friends of members.

Women's Educational Club — On Thursday afternoon Mrs. W. J. Sippreil, Johnson Street, very kindly threw open her home to the members of the Women's Educational Club, who held a birthday tea to celebrate the second anniversary of their organization in this city. A most enjoyable musical programme was rendered, Mrs. Campbell, Miss Alys Downard, Miss Humphries and Miss Eunice Campbell contributed delightful vocal solos, and Miss Eva Howard charmed the audience with two beautiful violin solos. Refreshments were served during the afternoon, Mrs. E. Sherritt presiding at the urns. A beautifully decorated birthday cake was donated by Mrs. David Spencer, jr.

P.T.A. Bazaar—The Ladies' Committee of the Margaret Jenkins P.T.A. held a successful bazaar in the school auditorium on Friday last and despite the wet weather, quite a number visited the various booths and made the affair a financial success. The platform was prettily decorated with two Arab tents, supplied by the Standard Furniture Company, and the auditorium had a gay appearance with the prettily decorated stalls. Great credit is due the various stall holders and workers, and especially to Mrs. Denny, the convener, who was ably assisted by her husband. The fund for improving the school grounds will benefit to the sum of $235, with expenses about $26.

Court Allows Appeal — Wong, a Chinaman, who was fined $50 in the police court for having liquor in a chop suey house, in Cormorant Street, was successful in his appeal to Judge Lampman yesterday from that conviction. The evidence was that the defendant threw away two bottles of liquor when he saw the police officers entering the place. In the lower court the defendant swore that the liquor was brought to the restaurant by certain patrons, and that the restaurant had had nothing to do with supplying it. Yesterday, however, Judge Lampman did not call upon the defence, holding that the prosecution evidence had failed to establish a prima facie case. Mr. C. L. Harrison appeared for the Crown, and Mr. J. A. Aikman for the defence.

Belligerent Sailors Depart — The names of Henry Thomas, Frank Kerwin, William Love and George Stark were duly called in the police court yesterday, but no surprise was expressed by Magistrate Jay when he was informed by Chief of Police John Fry that the men had been allowed to leave the city. The men were members of the American steamship Wakena, and were arrested last Sunday morning for fighting in Wharf Street. The fact that the eighteenth amendment to the constitution of the United States has very little more force in this country than it has "south of forty-nine," had something to do with the affair, it was apparent from Chief Fry's explanation to the court. Magistrate Jay approved the permission given for the men to leave with their ship, on payment of $30, costs incurred by the arrest.

A Melancholy Day—The first day of the business week in the police court is a little more gloomy, if possible, than other days; because that is the day when offenders against municipal regulations are summoned to appear for what generally turns out to be the unsatisfactory business of paying enforced contributions to the city treasury. Yesterday there was the usual Blue Monday procession of erring motorists, speeders, bicycle riders on sidewalks, and unhappy persons whose accursed rear light had happened to go out when the traffic cop was peeking round "unbeknownst." Among those fined were J. N. Roome and Arthur Harknett, $15 each for exceeding the motor speed limit; and E. B. Shakespeare, $10 for vending milk without a licence.

Juveniles Meet—Court Liberty, A.O.F., held their monthly meeting on Friday last. New members were initiated bringing the total membership to over 300. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: C.R., Sister Wood; S.C.R., Bro. Hall; S.W., Sister Pearson; J.W., Bro. Francis; S.B., Sister Watson; J. B., Bro. Wilson. At the close of the business session a fancy dress dance was held which was attended by nearly 200 members. The following members were the successful prize winners: Best character, Alice Rogers; sustained character, Grace Carter; original character, Harry Adams; comic, Mabel Rutledge; best Forester, Bro. Wormleighton; best dressed, Dollie Rutledge. A novel feature of the evening was the Egyptian dance by Sister Margaret Williams, which was greatly appreciated. The music was supplied in an able manner by Bro. Rowles juvenile orchestra. Arrangements are now being made for the members' annual banquet to be held in January.

Ward II Conservatives—The regular weekly military 500 and dance of Ward 2 Conservatives was held in the association rooms, Campbell Building, last Thursday night, forty-nine tables being in play. The prize-winners were as follows: 1st table, Mrs. Beaney, Mrs. Matthews, J. Moggey and T. Myers; 2nd table, Mrs. J. O'Connor, Mrs. McCahill, Mr. Hambley and Mr. Wilby; 3rd table, Mrs. Grahame, Mrs. Wilson, H. J. Martin and Mr. Barbour; 4th bid, Mr. McKiernan and Mr. Hunt; tombolas, 1st, half ton coal, J. Watson; 2nd, 20-lb. sugar, Mrs. LeBlanc; 3rd and 4th, Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone, each a box of apples; 5th, Christmas fruit, Mrs. Mansell; 6th, Christmas fruit, Mrs. Elsworth; 7th, butter, Mrs. Beckett; 8th, butter, Mrs. Waters; 9th, sack potatoes, Mrs. Chambers; 10th, box Jap oranges, O. Smith. For next Thursday's game the committee has arranged to give prizes as follows: For the three highest tables and 10 bid, scrip prizes, after which five large turkeys will be drawn for as "free tombolas." The number of both players and dancers that attend these weekly affairs proves just how much they are appreciated by the public, as each night the hall is taxed to its limits. After the distribution of prizes the floor was cleared for dancing, which was kept up until after midnight to the strains of Mrs. Gleason's orchestra.

BOYS' PARLIAMENT WILL HAVE CABINET

In connection with the First Provincial Older Boys' Parliament to be held at the Parliament Buildings here on January 2, 3 and 4, under the auspices of the Boys' Work Board of British Columbia, there will be no party division, but a cabinet of six or eight will be chosen, one of whom will be the premier, and this "government" will have full responsibility of all measures submitted to the house. Only matters relating to boys' work will be discussed, and all the bills brought forward will deal with boys' work under the C.S.E.T. programme. A speaker wil be elected from among the members and he will be coached in his duties by someone familiar with parliamentary rules.

SUPPORTS ACTION OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Meeting at Vancouver Approves of Withdrawal From Inquiry Into Narcotic Squad's Methods

VANCOUVER, Dec. 17.—Supporting the action of the Hon. Alex. Manson, Attorney-General for the Province, in withdrawing from further activity in the proceedings of the Royal Commission inquiry into charges against the R.C.M.P. narcotic squad, a resolution addressed to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa was voted on and passed at a mass meeting held at the First Presbyterian Church tonight. The resolution calls for the Minister of Justice to instruct Commissioner J. P. Smith to allow the Attorney-General's Department, which set forth the allegations, to recall and cross-examine any witnesses they may desire.

Robert Bolam, of the Anti-Narcotic League of British Columbia, presented the resolution of the assemblage.

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Under the Clock

City Hall Activities in Brief

Following the public announcement concerning the difficulties which the municipality of Saanich had met with in collecting on the bond covering its former clerk, City Comptroller MacDonald examined the bonds respecting certain city officials. What he found led him to send the documents up to City Solicitor Pringle for report. Apparently all does not seem to be well in this regard.

Informed by the clerk of the police court that two Chinese children had been given into the care of the Children's Aid Society by Magistrate Jay, the Council referred the matter to its representatives on the Children's Aid Society committee for investigation.

Doubts as to the necessity of certain apparently involved legal phraseology in the amusement centre by-law was expressed by aldermen at yesterday's council meetings. Unable, apparently, to reconcile some of the wording with their knowledge of the English language, they were only prevented from playing havoc with the "provideds" by the assurance of the two lawyers present that everything was orthodox and in order from the law's standpoint.

THE WEATHER

A severe ocean storm now centred on the Coast is causing easterly to southerly gales from Vancouver Island to Oregon. Mild weather prevails in Alberta.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	45	53
Vancouver	46	50
Kamloops	28	44
Barkerville	24	40
Prince Rupert	44	50
Estevan	26	50
Calgary, Alta.	28	48
Winnipeg, Man.	24	32
Portland, Ore.	40	50
San Francisco, Cal.	44	58
Seattle, Wash.	46	56
Penticton	26	47
Grand Forks	23	36
Nelson	32	35
Kaslo	23	38
Cranbrook	26	41
Edmonton, Alta.	24	33
Prince Albert, Sask.	20	30
Regina, Sask.	14	--
Saskatoon, Sask.	19	--

SUNDAY

Maximum	47
Minimum	45
Average	46
Minimum on the grass	43

Rain, .04 inch.
General state of the weather, cloudy.

MONDAY

Maximum	53
Minimum	46
Average	49
Minimum on the grass	44

Bright sunshine, 30 minutes.
Rain, .10 inch.
General state of the weather, rain.

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Miss M. Kitto is holding her Christmas exhibition of pictures and crafts in studio (upstairs), 401 Union Bank Building.

St. Mary's, Oak Bay—Sale of work. Home cooking, with afternoon tea. To be held on Tuesday afternoon, December 18.

Mrs. Simpson announces a children's and young people's fancy dress dance at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, on Friday evening, December 21. Good orchestra.

St. Matthias Church will hold a sale of dolls and toys on Friday afternoon, December 21, 2:30 to 5:30, in Sunday School Room. Christmas bargains. Everything must go.

Christmas Hamper for Returned Soldiers — Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., hold shower today from 10 to 5 o'clock at headquarters, Hamley Bldg. Provisions for hampers gratefully received.

Superfluous Hair permanently destroyed. Moles successfully removed; scientific, antiseptic, safe, absolute cure guaranteed; 15 years' practical experience. Miss Hanman (certificated London specialist), 22 Winch Building.

Great War Veterans' Association—Grand smoking concert and tombola, Saturday evening, December 22, 8 o'clock. Tombola will be drawn at 10 o'clock. Good programme. Tickets 50 cents. All ex-Service men cordially invited. Fairbanks-Morse Building.

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For real effectiveness, this old home-made remedy has no equal. Easily and cheaply prepared.

You'll never know how quickly a bad cough can be conquered, until you try this famous old home-made remedy. Anyone who has coughed all day and all night, will say that the immediate relief given is almost like magic. It takes but a moment to prepare and really there is nothing better for coughs.

Into a 16-oz. bottle, put 2½ ounces of Pinex; then add plain granulated sugar syrup to make 16 ounces. Or you can use clarified molasses, honey, or corn syrup, instead of sugar syrup. Either way, this mixture saves about two-thirds of the money usually spent for cough preparations, and gives you a more positive, effective remedy. It keeps perfectly, and tastes pleasant—children like it.

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Pinex is a most valuable concentrated compound of genuine Norway pine extract, the most reliable remedy for throat and chest ailments.

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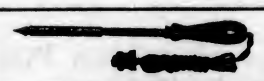

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Angelique, for decorating, 2 ozs. for **25¢**
Per lb. **$1.90**
Cresca Boneless Anchovies, in oil, ring bottle **$1.00** and **$1.75**
Allan's Almond Paste, ready to use, per packet **38¢** and **65¢**
White Dove Brand Almond Paste, per lb. **65¢**
Christie's Zephyrs Cream Soda Biscuits, per tin **50¢**
Christie's Muskoka Assorted Biscuits, per tin **50¢**
Peek Frean & Co.'s Imported Biscuits, Digestive, per tin **75¢**
Rich Assorted, per tin **95¢**
Afternoon Tea, per tin **75¢**
Noah's Arks, each **55¢**
Huntley & Palmer's Reading Biscuits, direct importation—
Afternoon Tea. Special tin **$1.25**
Assorted Wafers. Special tin **85¢**
Noel Mixed. Special tin **85¢**
Digestive. Special tin **85¢**
Breakfast. Special tin **$1.50**
Super Assorted. Special tin **$1.50**
Bath Oliver. Special tin **95¢**
Thin Captain. Special tin **80¢**
Also a large assortment of H. & P. bulk biscuits.

Decorated Christmas Candles

Christmas Candles, for decorating trees. Per box **20¢**
Standard Banquet Candles, assorted colors. Per box **40¢**
Artcraft Candles, assorted. Each **15¢**
Holly Decorated Candles, cream. Per box **$1.00**
Holly Decorated Candles, red. At, per box **90¢**
Mistletoe Candles, per box of 6 **90¢**

Christmas Cakes and Puddings

Shelly's Christmas Cakes, decorated, 3-lb. size **$2.25**
Shelly's Christmas Cakes, decorated, 5-lb. size **$3.75**
Shelly's Plum Puddings, 1-lb. size **75¢**
2-lb. size **$1.25**
3-lb. size **$2.00**
Bullen's Plum Puddings, each **$1.25**
and **$2.00**
Kkovah Plum Puddings, each **30¢**
and **50¢**

Raisins and Nuts, Shelled and Unshelled

Finest Imported Malaga Cluster Raisins, 3-Crown Table Clusters, per pkt. **40¢**
5-Crown Table Clusters, per pkt. **50¢**
7-Crown Table Clusters, per pkt. **60¢**
Sun-Maid Brand California Cluster Raisins, 1-lb. box **35¢**
2-lb. box **50¢**
California Soft Shelled Walnuts, per lb. **50¢**
California Soft Shelled Walnuts, Mayettes, per lb. **45¢**
Imported Tarragona Almonds, lb. **20¢**
Choice Sicily Filberts, per lb. **20¢**
Large Washed Brazils, per lb. **25¢**
Freshly Roasted Peanuts, per lb. **15¢**
Red Polished Pecan Nuts, per lb. **45¢**
Finest Quality New Jordan Almonds, at, per lb. **80¢**
Finest Quality New Valencia Almonds, per lb. **45¢**
Choice Shelled Brazil Nuts, lb., **$1.00**
Choice Shelled Pistachio Nuts, oz., **15¢**
Extra Large Blanched Almonds, at, per lb. **85¢**
Imported Italian Chestnuts, lb. **35¢**
New Season's Pine Nuts, per lb. **35¢**
Ripe Japanese Oranges, per box **50¢**
—Lower Main Floor

Quick Service Lunch, 40c

Served in addition to our regular 50c full course luncheon.

MENU
Lamb Chops
Corn Fritters
Green Peas
Browned Potatoes
Hot Rolls and Butter
Tea, Coffee, Cocoa
Afternoon Teas served from 3 to 5:30.
Orchestral Selections.

Stainless Steel Cutlery

Always an Appreciated Gift

Firth's Stainless Steel Cutlery is made of double shear steel and all hand forged, special attention being given to the tempering and finishing.
The W. R. Brand Table Knives, with square xylonite holdfast handles. Per doz. **$9.75**
Dessert Knives to match. Per dozen **$8.50**
The Produx Brand Table Knives, with xylonite holdfast handles in oval shape, beautifully finished and well balanced. Per doz. **$10.75**
Dessert Knives to match. Per dozen **$9.75**
—Lower Main Floor

Pre-Christmas Sale of

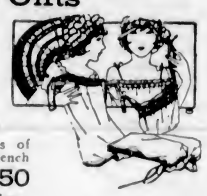
FASHIONABLE BLOUSES

Crepe Knit Over-Blouses
Very smart blouses in good weight material, round neck and kimono sleeves, hip band fastens with tie sash at side. Come in shades of sandalwood, zinc, orchid, cocoa, sand, capri, navy and black. Sale Price..... **$3.98**

Smart Jacquettes and Over-Blouses
All-Tyme Crepe Jacquettes with surplice collar and long sleeves, hip band fastens with three self colored buttons, in shades of jade, grey, sand, capri, cocoa, sandalwood navy and black. Smart Ratine Jacquettes in neat checks in pretty contrasting colors. Also smart crepe de Chine over-blouses deep Bertha collars of radium lace; others in pretty Egyptian colorings; all excellent values. Sale Price..... **$7.98**

Smart Over-Blouses
Hip length Over-Blouses in drop-stitch tricolette, small collar, V-neck and neat revers, long sleeves with neat fitting cuffs. Come in shades of grey, sandalwood, capri, cocoa, navy and black. Also tailored white silk blouses with convertible collar and long sleeves; front neatly tucked. Sale Price..... **$5.98**
—2nd Floor

Camisoles and Boudoir Caps, Dainty Yet Inexpensive Gifts



Satin Camisoles
Made from fine quality wash satin, top of Georgette lace, medallion of filet lace, and fine lace insertion. Come in flesh and white. Others with yoke and short sleeves in fine shadow lace, in flesh and white. Price..... **$2.95**

Satin Camisoles
In heavy quality wash satin, built-up shoulders of tucked Georgette and lace, trimmed with French flowers. Come in white only. Price..... **$3.50**

Satin Camisoles
Very dainty garments, in flesh and white satin, trimmed with Georgette crepe, fine lace insertion and ribbon shoulder straps. Priced at..... **$3.95**

Boudoir Caps
Made from good quality crepe de Chine, top neatly tucked, trimmed with heavy quality lace and large ribbon rosette. Come in flesh, orchid and white. Price..... **$2.50**
Other pretty styles to..... **$4.25**

Boudoir Caps
Heavy Wash Satin Caps, trimmed with narrow lace and satin ribbon, in blue, flesh and orchid. Priced at..... **$1.75**

Satin Camisoles
A variety of pretty styles at this price. Heavy quality wash satin. Some with built-up shoulders, others with ribbon shoulder straps trimmed with fine quality lace, pin-tucks and dainty colored rosebuds. In white only. Price..... **$4.50**

Boudoir Caps
A nice assortment in shades of orchid, flesh, rose and blue, in wash satin and shadow lace, trimmed with ribbon bows. Price..... **$1.25**
—2nd Floor

Give a Mah Jong Set for Christmas

The greatest indoor game of the day. The wonder game that has taken the whole continent by storm. Buy a set for your friend for Christmas.
Bamboo Mah Jong Set..... **$5.95**
Two Drawer Mah Jong Set at..... **$17.50**
Others at ... **$25.00** and **$35.00**
Mah Jong Racks..... **$2.50**
—Main Floor

Dainty Neckwear in Gift Boxes

Cascade Vestee and Collar
With attached back in net and lace, Georgette voile and filet lace and crepe de Chine. Prices, **$2.00, $2.25, $2.50, $2.95, $5.50** and **$6.50**

Camisettes
Made of white net, with vestee front, in plain or cascade style, suitable to wear with sweater or suit. Prices, **$2.00, $2.50** and **$3.50**

Collar and Cuff Sets
In Bramley and Peter Pan style, in white or natural linen; plain or trimmed with a lace edge. Prices, **$1.00, $1.75, $2.25** and **$2.75**
—Main Floor

Women's Gift Hose

Satin Striped Glove Silk Hose
With pyramid heel, wide hem top and reinforced heel, suitable for evening wear, in grey, beige, camel, seal, silver and white. Sizes 8½ to 10. Per pair..... **$4.00**

Fancy Satin Stripe Silk Hose
With thread lisle tops and feet well reinforced; in black, brown and white. Sizes 8½ to 10. Per pair..... **$3.00**

Toytown Attractions

Wonderful displays and wonderful values await you in Toytown. Toys for big boys and little boys, Toys for big girls and little girls, in such a variety and at such low prices. Here are a few suggestions for today's shoppers.

Over and Under Auto Toy
Each..... **$1.50**
All-Metal Motor Race Game
Each..... **$1.50**
Twin Auto Garage and Fire Hall Set
2 cars in each..... **79¢**
Whistling Birds in Cages
95¢ to..... **$1.75**
Jumping Dogs and Bronco Busters
65¢ and..... **75¢**
Big Noise Repeating Pistols
5 Packages of caps..... **75¢**
Wheel Chime Toys
Rocking horses, horse in stables and horses in carts, in a great variety..... **$5.95**
Horses in Stables
$1.50 to..... **$2.95**
Saddle Rocking Horses
With detachable wheel platform..... **$7.95**
Same as above, larger size. Price..... **$10.00**
Beautiful Skin Covered Rocking Horses
$13.95 and..... **$21.75**
Horses on Wheels
25¢, 50¢, 65¢, 75¢, $1.00 and..... **$1.25**
Horses in Carts, Trucks and Milk Wagons
Price..... **$1.00**
Bell Chime Toys
Horses, elephants, lambs, dogs, cats and other animals.
—Lower Main Floor

Gifts in Kitchen Aluminumware

Aluminum Kitchen Sets, comprising skimmer, slotted mixing spoon, cake turner, egg beater and large basting spoon, with retinned wire rack to hang on the wall. Per set..... **$1.50**
Aluminum Kitchen Set, slightly smaller than the one above, comprising cream ladle, mixing spoon, cake turner, kitchen spoon and egg beater, with retinned wire rack to hang up. Per set..... **$1.00**

21-Piece English China Tea Sets

A Tea Set makes a nice Xmas gift for mother, sister or friend. We have a nice showing of English Tea Sets, and are featuring today a dainty conventional design in mauve, black and canary shades; pretty shape cups. 21-piece set..... **$11.75**

Morning Specials

From 9 to 11:30
Or as Long as Quantities Last

Shop Early

No Phone or Mail Orders, Please.

CHILDREN'S FELT SLIPPERS
English Imported Felt Slippers, ankle strap style, stout felt soles, with leather outer soles; in blue, pink and brown plaids; sizes 8 to 10. Morning special, per pair..... **89c**

WOMEN'S SILK MIXTURE COMBINATIONS
Harvey make, with low neck, opera top, strap shoulders or short sleeves, knee length, also with V-neck, short sleeves and knee length, V-neck, long sleeves and ankle length; sizes 36 to 44. Value $3.50. 36 only. Morning special..... **$2.19**
—2nd Floor

WOMEN'S FLANNEL MIDDIES
Made from best quality imported flannel, neat Balkan style in navy and scarlet, square collar trimmed with three rows of braid, long sleeves with buttoned cuffs; sizes 34 to 40. 12 only. Morning special..... **$1.98**
—2nd Floor

95c SPECIALS IN TOYS
Included are moving picture machines, magic lanterns, upright steam engines and mechanical trains on tracks. Morning special..... **95c**
—Lower Main Floor

MEN'S HOUSE COATS
Just 11 Smart English-Made House Coats, in sizes 32 to 46. Shown in desirable shades in good wool cloths. Values to $12.50. Morning special..... **$8.95**
—Main Floor

MEN'S PURE SILK KNIT TIES
All-silk knit ties at very low price. Shown in beautiful colorings in crossbar and fancy effects. Value $3.00. Morning special..... **$2.49**
—Main Floor

PERFUME SPECIAL
One ounce of any of our $1.50 perfumes, including Piver's, Ingram's and Seely's, in a handsome dropper bottle. Morning special..... **98c**
—Main Floor

WHITE SAXONY FLANNELETTE
Snow White Saxony Flannelette, of closely woven texture and warm nappy surface. Will give excellent wear and launder perfectly. Value 25c. 30 inches wide. Limit, 10 yards to a customer. Morning special..... **Per Yard, 19c**
—Main Floor

CHILDREN'S CUTLERY SETS
Child's Three-Piece Set, comprising knife, fork and spoon, all-metal, heavily plated, in attractive design. Morning special, per set..... **49c**
—Lower Main Floor

WOMEN'S GLOVES
Washable Chamois Gloves with one dome fastener, self points and outside seams, in white and cream; sizes 6¼ to 6¾. Value $2.50. Morning special, per pair..... **$1.15**
—Main Floor

A BIG RIBBON SPECIAL
Silk Ribbons, consisting of wide Dresden ribbon in all wanted shades, also novelty ribbon suitable for making gifts, also for hair bows and sashes. Plaid ribbons in various colors. Morning special, per yard..... **49c**
—Main Floor

WOMEN'S CASHMERE HOSE
100 Pairs of English All-Wool Cashmere Hose, in brown and black, also all-wool mixed coatings and fibre silk hose with novelty fronts, in brown and black; sizes 8 to 10. Value $1.00. Morning special, per pair..... **79c**
—Main Floor

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS
200 Boxes only, of Caley's Christmas Crackers, in bright attractive designs and well filled packages. Morning special, per box..... **19c**
—Lower Main Floor

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS
100 Only, Caley's Christmas Stockings for boys and girls. Morning special, each..... **19c**
—Lower Main Floor

Continuing Our Great Sale of

XMAS HANDKERCHIEFS

Women's White and Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs
With assorted colored embroideries in corners and hemstitched borders; 3 in a box. Value 59c for..... **45¢**

Women's Assorted Colored Lawn Handkerchiefs
With hemstitched border and embroidered corners, also all pure linen handkerchiefs in white with white embroidered corners; 3 in a box. Value $1.00 for..... **89¢**

Women's Plain White Lawn Handkerchiefs
With hemstitched border. Value 8c. Per box of 6 for..... **29¢**

Women's Linen Handkerchiefs
In plain white with hemstitched borders..... **3** for **90¢**

Women's Irish Lawn Handkerchiefs
In white with colored embroidery, also white with broad colored border..... **3** in a box **65¢**

Women's Gift Handkerchiefs
In white lawn, daintily embroidered in colors of pink, blue and mauve..... **3** in a box **75¢**

Women's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs
Neatly embroidered in white, also white lawn handkerchiefs embroidered in white..... **3** in a box **$1.50**

Women's All-Pure Linen Handkerchiefs
In white, neatly embroidered, also in colors of mauve, yellow and pink, embroidered in contrasting colors..... **3** in a box **$1.25**

CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS

Children's Handkerchiefs
White Lawn Handkerchiefs with colored pictures and borders of pink, blue and mauve; **3** in a box..... **29¢**

Children's Handkerchiefs
In white with colored border, also white with worked figures in corner; **3** in a box..... **50¢**

Children's Handkerchiefs
Of lawn with assorted colored pictures, 3 in a box. Value 35c for **25¢**
—Main Floor

Men's and Boys' Gift Handkerchiefs

Men's Linen Handkerchiefs
Made from extra fine quality pure linen and finished with hemstitched border, full size and wonderful value. Value 65c. Each..... **45¢**

Men's Lawn Handkerchiefs
Of soft quality lawn, with ¼ and ½-inch hemstitched borders. Value 75c for 6; in neat folder. Sale Price..... **6** for **50¢**

Men's Pure Linen Initialed Handkerchiefs
Of pure linen with hemstitched borders and neat hand-embroidered initial in corner. Sale Price, each..... **50¢**

Men's Fine Lawn Initialed Handkerchiefs
With hemstitched border, all initials in stock; full size. Sale Price, each..... **25¢**

Men's English Colored Silk Handkerchiefs
All-Silk Handkerchiefs, with novelty colors; in neat gift box. Sale Price, each..... **$1.50**

Boys' Gift Handkerchiefs
Handkerchiefs with fancy colored borders. Value 15c. Sale Price, each..... **10¢**

Boys' All Colored Handkerchiefs
Colored Mercerized Handkerchiefs of English make. Value 25c. Sale Price..... **2** for **25¢**

Men's Handkerchiefs
Made from fine quality mercerized twill cotton, soft and silky in appearance, finished with novelty colored border. Value 25c. Morning special..... **3** for **50¢**
—Main Floor

Special Values in Women's and Children's Gift Slippers

Women's Felt Slippers
English imported Felt Slippers in popular shades, brocaded ribbon trimmed, leather turned soles. Sizes 3 to 7. Per pair..... **$2.25**

Women's Plaid Felt Slippers
English imported, in two-tone effects, turn-over cuff style, leather soles. Sizes 3 to 7. Per pair..... **$3.00**

Children's and Misses' Felt Slippers
English imported, ankle strap style, leather soles, inner soles of lamb's wool, in all the popular shades. Sizes 3 to 7. Pair, **$1.10**
Sizes 11 to 2. Per pair..... **$1.25**

Women's Satin Boudoir Slippers
In two-tone color combinations, grey buckskin soles. A large variety of delicate shades to choose from. Sizes 3 to 8. Per pair..... **$2.25**
—Main Floor

20% Off All FURS

Today we are featuring Hudson Seal Coats in 38, 40, 45 and 48-inch lengths. These coats are expertly made from the most carefully selected skins. Some are self trimmed, others with collars and cuffs of beaver, fox, skunk, etc. Why not make your selection now and take advantage of our special 20% discount offer?

First Quality Hudson Seal Coats
Self trimmed, crush shawl collar, 38-inch length. Value $437.00 for..... **$339.00**

First Quality Hudson Seal Coats
40-Inch length, self trimmed. Regular value $450.00 for..... **$360.00**

First Quality Hudson Seal Coats
45-Inch length, plucked beaver collar and cuffs. Regular value $500.00 for..... **$399.00**

First Quality Hudson Seal Coats
48-Inch length, Lucille fox trimmings. Regular value $575.00 for..... **$470.00**

And several other models at similar reductions.

Fine big assortment of Neckpieces in all the favorite furs—chokers, ties, animal scarves and stoles. Prices from..... $12.50

An Extraordinary Offering in Full Length Sports Coats

Mannishly tailored from polo and homespun cloth in green, brown and sand mixtures. Full length models with plain, trench and ripple backs; raglan sleeves and large pockets; half lined. Shown in plain and large check effects. Sizes to 40. Price..... **$14.95**
—2nd Floor

A Gift Certificate Solves the Problem

Whether it is for a pair of gloves, hosiery or any other article of apparel, a gift certificate ensures the recipient receiving the correct size. Gift certificates may be obtained at the Information Bureau on the Mezzanine Floor.

Santa Claus

Wants to See All Victoria Girls and Boys

He is at home in his igloo in Hudson's Bay Toytown each morning from 10 to 12, and each afternoon from 3 to 5.

Hudson's Bay Company.

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Social Events

Honors Ninetieth Birthday

Mrs. T. C. Hubbard, Clarence Street, and her sister, Mrs. Young, were hostesses on Thursday afternoon at the former's residence, when they entertained a large number of guests in honor of the ninetieth birthday of their mother, Mrs. A. A. Townsend. Mrs. Townsend always has made her home with Mrs. Hubbard. The apartments were beautiful with a profusion of choice flowers, and the tea table, where Mrs. Woodside and Mrs. Hanley presided, was decorated with exquisite pink chrysanthemums. Mrs. Townsend, who is still physically and mentally fit, in spite of her advanced years, was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, amongst them many hothouse collections. Besides the guests who came throughout the afternoon to wish the guest of honor many happy birthdays, more than a score were present during the evening. Music then was the principal entertainment.

Host at Christmas Party

Miss Eva Spencer gave a very delightful Christmas party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spencer, 2487 Florence Street, on Saturday evening. The evening was spent in dancing, singing and games. A dainty supper was served at midnight. Among those present were Misses Ena McKenzie, Constance McGill, Thelma Burgess, Jean Brocklebank, Marjorie and Gladys Watson, Agnes Steele, Maud Williams, Yvonne North, Emily Warburton, Mrs. Neary, Mrs. Glazen and the Misses Eva and Gwen Spencer and Messrs. Geo. Elliott, Ben Davis, Frank Sommers, George Ruck, Jimmy Stewart, Norman Purser, Victor Eustace Gravlin, Tommy Watson, Louis Glazen, Billie Gropp, Ronnie Cruickshank, Sid Sherratt, Jack Neary, Tom Alnscough and Frank Cameron.

Engagement Notice

Mrs. Emily Gardner, 910 Cook Street, announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Ethel May, to Mr. Valentine L. Kirchner, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Kirchner, of London, England, the marriage to take place on January 1.

At Jubilee Hospital

Mrs. W. O. Cockett, 1022 Bank Street, is suffering from an attack of acute bronchitis, and is a patient in the Strathcona Ward of the Jubilee Hospital.

To Christmas Here

Mrs. Quinton has arrived in Vancouver from England, and is visiting her sister, Mrs. Bell-Irving, and later will spend Christmas here with her mother, Mrs. O. M. Jones.

Mah Jong Club

Mrs. W. H. Hargrave entertained the members of the Mah Jong Club yesterday afternoon at her home on St. David Street. Two tables were in progress.

For Eugene, Ore.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wallace, of Saanich, have left for Eugene, Oregon, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. H. Ruth.

Leave for Osoyoos

Mrs. W. Dignan has left for her home at Osoyoos, after a pleasant holiday at the home of Mr. and Mrs F. Verdier, Saanich.

Transferred Here

Mr. Robert d'Easum has arrived in this city, where he has been transferred from the Vancouver branch of the Bank of Montreal.

Visit Eastbourne

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Earle, of "Wilmot House," who a few months ago left for an extended visit to England, recently visited Eastbourne.

Returns to Victoria

Miss Innes Bodwell returned to her home in Victoria on Saturday from England. She is staying with her sister, Mrs. Cudemore, Rockland Avenue.

Returns to Capital

Mrs. E. W. Boynton, of Victoria, has returned to her home in this city after spending the past two weeks visiting friends in Vancouver.

Visits Vancouver

Mr. C. E. Thomas, of Victoria, is spending a few days in Vancouver.

PORT ALBERNI

At the Somass

The following guests are registered at the Somass Hotel: Mr. A. H. Pollard, Mr. H. Winger, Mr. J. Knudson, Mr. A. Jondel, of Quatsino; Mr. S. Jacobson, Tofino; Mr. F. H. Ching, Saskatoon; Mr. Frank L. Bott, Mr. J. W. Watson, Mr. T. Ode, Mr. T. C. Sproule, Mr. C. Nixon, Mr. E. Brunnette, of Vancouver; Mr. Arthur Park, Nootka; Mr. A. J. McLellan, Ladysmith; Mr. J. T. Dryborough, Mr. J. Richmond, Mr. T. H. K. Bayne, of Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. David Bothwell, of Kildonan; Mr. C. Joshida, of Kildonan; Mr. F. G. Kesner, Seattle; Mr. A. Hoskins, of Bamfield; Mr. R. Greaves, of Duncan; Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, of Tofino; Mr. A. H. Living, Mr. P. Frederickson, Mr. R. S. Sweeting, Mr. D. S. Harper, Mr. A. C. Benson, Mr. Axel T. Owen, Mrs. Wood, Mr. W. Charles, Mr. A. J. Cook, of Vancouver; Mr. J. W. Dowe, of Duncan; Mr. B. P. Kampness, of Seattle; Mr. S. W. Clark, Vancouver; Mr. J. D. Chilton, Mr. A. P. James, Victoria; Mr. E. E. Bellamy, of Kildonan; Mr. B. Tomlinson, of Vancouver and Mr. J. H. Croft, of Victoria.

In Vancouver

Miss Hazel Stone, manageress of the local branch of the B. C. Telephone Co., Ltd., is spending a holiday at present in Vancouver.

Daughter Born

A daughter was born to Dr. and Mrs. Carlyle E. Cook at the West Coast General Hispital this morning.

PORT ALICE

An Enjoyable Dance

The Port Alice young people held an enjoyable dance at the hall on Monday evening in honor of Mr. J. Kirkpatrick, who is leaving Port Alice for the Mainland. Mr. Bendickson and Mr. Burke supplied the music, while the refreshments were in the capable hands of Miss Jones, Mr. Cadden and Mr. McKay. Everyone wished Mr. Kirkpatrick the best of luck for the future.

Bles Him Hence

With the departure of Mr. Jack Barbane, Port Alice will lose one of her most active young men. He is leaving this week to reside in Vancouver.

Were in Victoria

Mr. and Mrs. W. Byers and son have returned to their home after spending a pleasant holiday in Victoria and Vancouver.

Off on Holiday

Mr. Harold B. McIntosh, assistant chemist, has left for Vancouver, where he will spend the Christmas holidays with his parents.

Guest of Parents

Mr. B. Bendickson has arrived in Port Alice, and is the guest of his parents for the holidays.

Out of Hospital

Mr. J. McEwan arrived in Port Alice from Vancouver, where he has been a patient in St. Paul's Hospital.

DUNCAN

Poet Pays Visit

Mr. Wilson MacDonald, of Toronto, eminent Canadian poet, was a guest of his old-time friend, Mr. T. S. Ruffell, in Duncan last week. Mr. MacDonald is now on a tour across Canada. Those who were privileged to hear him were delighted with his works. On Thursday Mr. MacDonald visited the Duncan High School. In a competition held among the students Miss Margaret Hopkins proved her ability to name the greatest number of Canadian poets—not only ranking first from the school here but scored the highest of any student in similar contests held in various high schools by Mr. MacDonald in his Canadian tour.

Returns Home

Mr. George Mutter has returned to his home at Maple Bay after several months' absence in Los Angeles, Calif.

CUMBERLAND

Talk Postponed

Owing to counter attractions, the lecture by Dr. A. F. B. Clarke, entitled "Modern Italy" had to be postponed. It is hoped that another suitable date can be arranged for Dr. Clarke to give his interesting talk.

Visits Parents

Miss Bessie Stewart, who has been training in the Vancouver General Hospital for the last three years, has arrived in Cumberland on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Stewart.

Attends Concert

Mr. J. P. Hicks, of Victoria, brother of Mr. Gideon Hicks, the famous baritone, was in Cumberland to attend the concert of the Cumberland Choral Society.

WEDDINGS

McGregor-Gent

Yesterday noon, at "Breadalbane," the minister's residence, the Rev. Dr. Campbell celebrated the marriage of Mr. Alpine Agustive McGregor and Mrs. Fannie Elizabeth Gent, both of Sooke. The bride was given in marriage by her father, and was accompanied by Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Jackson and Miss Alice Diplock. After a honeymoon Mr. and Mrs. McGregor will reside in Sooke.

ENTERTAINED PATIENTS

The Victoria Boys' Orchestra, under the leadership of Mr. Charles Rowles, gave an enjoyable musical programme in the McBride Ward of the Jubilee Hospital last Wednesday evening. Besides the selections rendered by the boys, which were much appreciated by the patients, solos were sung by Master Stanley Stonier and Master Robert Demera. After the concert, the youthful instrumentalists were served with light refreshments by the nurses.

WILL RECEIVE GIFTS FOR HAMPERS AT I. O. D. E. ROOMS

The I. O. D. E. headquarters, Hamley Building, will be open this morning and this afternoon and members will be in attendance to receive contributions and donations for the Christmas hampers which will be dispatched to needy families. Groceries and cash will be gratefully accepted.

Those Who Come and Go

Colonel and Mrs. G. E. Barnes, of Crofton; L. T. Davis and J. D. O. Rochfort, of Parksville; Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith, of Maple Bay; H. Foster and Miss T. Harden, of Nanaimo; Mrs. R. G. Marshall, of Wellington; W. D. Gear, of Port Alberni; Mrs. M. M. Mouat and Mrs. Jimmie Rogers, of Ganges; Mr. Martinson, of Jordan River; N. B. Trenholm, of Chemainus; Mrs. W. Baylis, of Lake Cowichan; Mr. D. B. Milligan and family and Mr. G. Milligan, of Shirley; Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Dyne and W. Vandermoor, of Duncan, are some of the up-Island guests of the Dominion Hotel.

Mr. W. P. Shelton, of Moosomin; G. McConnell, of Alsask, Sask.; Bert Deyell, of Frobisher, Sask.; F. Brown, of Revelstoke; R. Snyzelle, of Toronto; G. A. Brien, of Nome, Alaska; A. G. Hermanson, of Juneau, Alaska; Dr. L. T. Seavey, Carl Seavey and Walter Lavera, of Port Townsend; Mr. West and Mrs. West, John Elkins, N. W. Walker, of Seattle, are new arrivals at the Dominion Hotel.

Vancouver registrations at the Dominion Hotel include A. McDonald, A. Paterson, Jesse J. Kahn, L. M. Gold, M. Ford, P. D. Mackenzie, L. M. McClellan, E. Ferker, N. W. Peck, E. Nightingale, W. H. Farell, Ernest A. Masters, T. Hagar, O. Jacobson, E. F. Campbell, H. Anderson, M. E. Charleston and J. Hoffman.

Mr. Harry Parson, of Golden, formerly member of the Legislature, is a guest at the Empress.

Mr. William McNeill, of Vancouver, is at the Empress Hotel.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC IS THEME OF TALK

Miss Hayward Addresses Kumtuks Club—Society Votes $10 for Orphanage Library

"Christmas Music" was the subject of a very interesting little address given before the Kumtuks Club at its regular meeting yesterday by Miss Hayward, who told something about the origin of carols and other music which is characteristic of this time of the year. The president, Miss Lottie Bowron, told the members that they would have an opportunity in the near future to vote on the Community Amusement Centre, and also reminded them that at the annual meeting of the organization, in January, an opportunity to revise the Constitution would be made.

The society voted $10 for the purchase of books for the Orphanage, for which the Kumtuks plan to form a small library. The breakages to the supply of gift mugs presented to the children last Christmas will be made good by the club also. The "Cheerio" Committee reported having sent flowers to the vice-president, Mrs. Hodges, who is ill in hospital.

The next luncheon meeting will take place on December 31.

COMING EVENTS

Pantomime Rehearsal — Tonight's rehearsal of "Peter Pan's Dream" will be held at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, instead of the Empress Hotel as usual.

Christmas Carols—Tomorrow at 8 p.m., in St. Mark's Church, you are invited to celebrate this festive season by singing some of the old-time and modern carols, assisted by Mr. Hinton and the choir.

Highland Society—The Highland Society is holding a meeting for members and their friends in the Orange Hall, Courtney Street, on Wednesday, December 18, at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served during the evening. All members please attend as important business is to be transacted.

Will Pack Hampers—St. John's branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to Missions will pack the hampers for the Christmas dinner for the Rock Bay Hospital, Columbia Coast Mission, tomorrow in the Guild Room. Donations will be gratefully received this afternoon at the regular meeting of the branch, or phone the Dorcas secretary, 4597L.

Guild of Health—A meeting of the Guild of Health will be held on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Cathedral schoolroom, when an address in preparation for the Christmas festival will be given by the Rev. T. E. Rowe. These meetings of the guild are open to all interested in the study and work of spiritual healing.

Women's Institute—Tomorrow there will be the annual meeting of the Happy Valley-Luxton and Colwood branches of the Women's Institute in the Happy Valley-Luxton Hall. It is hoped that all members will make an effort to attend, as besides the electing of officers for the coming year, there will be the secretary's report of the Victoria conference. Preparations are going merrily forward for the school concert and Christmas tree, to be held in the hall on Thursday, December 20. Everyone invited.

Holding Whist Drive—The Cedar Hill Tennis Club will hold a whist drive next Thursday evening, December 20, when special Christmas prizes will be awarded, which will also include a tombola. At last Thursday evening's card party fourteen tables were engaged, and the prize winners were as follows: First lady, Mrs. H. A. Ismay; first gentleman, Mr. H. A. Ismay; sealed number, Miss M. Holmes and Mr. G. Rendle; consolation, Mrs. Griffiths and Mr. Richards; ten bid, Mr. A. H. Parker and Mr. G. Scott.

Progressive Conservatives — The next weekly military 500 and dance will be held tonight, December 18, at the Caledonia Hall, View Street. After tonight the drives will be held as usual every Wednesday. The table prizes will be increased in value for tonight. Fourteen scrips will be given; also orders for three large geese as free tombolas. This will allow the holder to procure the goose for Christmas if desired. Findler's orchestra will supply the music. No tombolas will be given after 8:55.

McBride Social Club—Tonight the McBride Social Club will hold its annual military five hundred and dance in the Harmony Hall, Fort Street. Special scrip prizes are being offered for the tournament, whilst a number of prizes will be given to the successful holders of tickets in the tombola, a Christmas turkey being the first prize. The entertainment will start at 8:30 o'clock. Owing to the Christmas festivities next week, this will be the last tournament this year. Members and their friends are assured of a splendid evening's enjoyment, and are extended a cordial welcome.

Emoh Club—The Emoh Club will hold a grand masquerade ball in the Caledonia Hall on the night of January 1, and no pains are being spared to make this the event of the season. Ozard's orchestra will provide an excellent programme of dance music for the occasion, and a buffet supper will be served. Splendid prizes will be given for the various costumes, and altogether the event promises to be of exceptional interest. The regular fortnightly dance of the club will take place on Thursday, December 20, in the Caledonia Hall, when tickets for the New Year's masquerade ball may be obtained from members of the club, and also from Willis Piano Store, Bee Hive, Toggery Shop, Douglas Street, and 412 Sayward Building, Douglas Street.

IMPERIAL LODGE BANQUET

Imperial Lodge No. 364, Orange Young Britons, gave a banquet to their friends on Thursday evening last. This lodge of young men was just instituted on April 29 last, and is composed of some of the best young men of our city, between the ages of 15 and 23.

W. McKinly, W.M. of the lodge, was toastmaster. The following toast list was duly honored. "The King," all singing "God Save the King;" "Orange Young Britons," proposed by Mrs. W. Hoey, past deputy grand mistress, L.O.B.A., B.A., responded to by Bro. Okell; "Ladies' Orange Association," proposed by Bro. F. Greensides, responded to by Sister Mrs. Doane, deputy grand mistress; "Grand Orange Lodge of B. C.," proposed by Bro. Angus McIntyre, responded to by R.W. F. Hobbs, J.D.G.M. of B.C.; "Grand Black Chapter of B.C.," proposed by W. Bro. R. G. Foster, responded to by R.W. Sir Knight W. Hoey, J.D.G.M.

Songs were sung by Miss Moorehead, Mr. J. McCall and Mr. Gaiger, the latter singing several comic songs. Mr. and Mrs. Gaiger sang a duet. All the songs were heartily encored. There was a splendid attendance of friends and a most enjoyable evening spent. The affair was a splendid success in every way. Special thanks of the committee are due Sisters Mrs. Doherty, Mrs. McIntyre and Mrs. W. Hoey for the hard work they did to make the banquet a success.

FARMERS OF SAANICH WANT LAND TAX CUT

Claim Made by Ward Four Ratepayers That Unfair Share of Tax Burden Borne by Land

Objection to the present taxation of acreage in Saanich was registered by various members of the Saanich Ward Four Ratepayers' Association, last night at a meeting held at Marigold, and an agitation was instituted for the elimination of the single tax scheme in favor of taxation on improvements.

One member stated that he was being assessed two hundred dollars per acre for acres of rock from which it was impossible to derive revenue, thus forcing producing arable land owned by him to carry not only its own burden, but the burden of the non-productive forty acres as well. He believed no assessment should be made upon rock land or any land incapable of producing revenue.

Another speaker stated that if present taxation methods were not radically improved within a very short time, the farming element of Saanich would be forced from the municipality. The land was carrying most of the taxation and the farmers had reached a point where something must be done to lighten the burden. Approximately one-quarter of the revenue producing farm land of the municipality was already owned by Saanich because of the former owners being unable to pay the taxes asked, he concluded.

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ROYAL REVIEW, W.B.A.

The annual election of officers took place at the regular meeting of Royal Review No. 13, W.B.A. Maccabees, on Monday evening at Harmony Hall. Mesdames Bloor, Laing and Hoey, of Queen Alexander Review kindly acted as scrutineers. The results were as follows: Commander, Mrs. M. Stephen; lieutenant commander, Mrs. F. Baillie; past commander, Miss R. Paterson; collector, Mrs. Ritchie; record and finance keeper, Mrs. M. Friker; publicity reporter and auditor, Mrs. K. Schmelz; chaplain, Mrs. Hennessy; sergeant, Mrs. Pollard; lady-at-arms, Mrs. Beckett; sentinel, Mrs. McIntyre; picket, Mrs. Laxton; captain of the guard, Miss M. Stephen; color bearers, Mrs. Parlby and Mrs. Law, ensigns, Mrs. Walsh and Mrs. Holness; platoon leaders, Miss Watson and Mrs. Dinsley; musician, Mrs. K. Schmelz. Retiring Past Commander Mrs. Watson ably acted as installing officer for the short form installation for the new officers. After a lengthy discussion it was decided to hold the regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 1230 Government Street, until suitable arrangements can be made for the regular meeting nights. A court whist party, sale of work and afternoon tea, with tea cup reading will be held on Tuesday afternoon, cards to start promptly at 2:30 p.m., at the above address.

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GORDON HEAD W.I.

Reports of the recent Institute conference were given at the Gordon Head Women's Institute meeting on Wednesday by Mrs. McNaughton and Mrs. Watson, the delegates. The Institute gave a very successful card party on December 7, so it was decided to hold another on Friday, December 21. Mrs. McCormick again to act as convener. The directors appointed for 1924 were Mrs. Fielding, Mrs. McCormick, Mrs. Erb, Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Watson. The silver tea service recently won by the Institute was used at the afternoon tea, the hostesses being Mrs. Erb and Mrs. La Londe. The hearty thanks of the members were extended to all those who donated the lovely prizes for the last 500 party.

McAdoo Seeks Nomination

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—William Gibbs McAdoo, war-time Director-General of the American Railroads, tonight announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination in a telegram to W. W. Howes, Democratic State chairman, Pierre, South Dakota.

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WHO'S WHO IN THE STORY

Terence Desmond ("Terry"), seven years old, left much to herself, believes in fairies and worships

Juliet Divine, the stage name of her beautiful half sister. "Juie" rides in a gorgeous car and talks of a millionaire.

Terence Desmond, their father, is caretaker of an estate on Long Island and had such-and-such taken place in Ireland years ago (he claimed) he would have been a lord. Julie's flippant talk about millionaires angers him—he is prone to rages.

Mary Desmond, Terry's mother and Julie's stepmother, fears "disgrace" in the latter's career.

Mrs. Peter Parmalee, owner of the house, wires that she is coming to spend a few days.

Betty Sheen, her 17-year granddaughter is coming with her.

Miles Sheridan is Betty's fiancee.

Terry, fearing that an elegant teddy bear is to be taken from the house is discovered in the act of taking it out of Betty's room.

A Convent-Reared Cashier

THE girl could hardly believe that her mother was gone, that she would never see hem again. The Sisters tried to comfort her, but she could not be consoled. They told her to cry, and her grief would be softened, but no tears would come.

As a child she had never cried since Terrence had jeered at Mary in her hearing. "What's the use of squeezing all that juice out of your face? It doesn't cut any ice."

That was true. "Squeezing juice out of your face" was futile, though your heart was broken. Terry had learned so well to control her tears that now she could not shed them when she would.

But the girl felt bitterly that she could never forgive her father for not telegraphing sooner. Even if there had not been time to see Mary alive, she might have kissed the dear face in its coffin.

The girl had never loved the moody, bad-tempered, sullen man who was her father, though she had childishly admired his bigness and good looks. Now she knew that she must, for her mother's sake, try not to hate him.

Ten days later Terry went home, one of the nuns taking her as far as Oldport, where Terrence Desmond was at the station.

The girl had not seen her father since she was twelve. He had changed startlingly, though not through grief. She was sure it was not through grief.

His black eyes, which had been big and bold, were now curtained by folds of skin, and beneath were purplish bags. He had developed a double chin. His once fresh, sunburnt skin was veined and mottled. His nose appeared to be bigger, and was seamed with the same small, purple-red veins that patterned his cheeks. The thick hair which Terry remembered as bright auburn threaded with white, was now white threaded with auburn.

Even the man's figure was different. He stooped, and his body looked loose and slouching in the not inexpensive but untidy clothes he wore.

"Well, you've grown up," he said, staring, with a gaze that appraised the pale girl from head to foot. "You're damned like Juie. But only a copy of her, in water color paints. You'll never be the stunner she is."

Julia was his darling, the one creature for whom he cared. Perhaps Julia's mother, the wife of his youth, had been more to him than the meek, yet obstinate Mary. His namesake's likeness to the elder girl did not move him enough for a kiss.

There was hostility and something like disgust in Terry's eyes. He must have read the look. He had always spoken of her to Mary as "your daughter," never as "ours." But he meant to rule her now.

Terry had been brought home to work; or so she supposed. That was only fair, after seven happy years at the convent, and she resolved to take her mother's place in the house, as well as she could.

Not many hours passed, however, before she realized that whatever she was wanted for, it was not to fill her mother's place.

Terrance had made quite another plan; and when the girl arrived at the Blue Moon it was to find a cook-housekeeper installed; a handsome dark German woman of middle age, naturalized American.

Mrs. Shultz was a widow, with an eye that languished at her employer. Terry detested her at sight and was glad, at first, that she herself was to be a kind of secretary-cashier, writing her father's letters and keeping accounts.

This work would keep her out of Mrs. Schultz's way except at meals. But she shrank from the idea of the desk in the restaurant, where Desmond himself had sat in early days of the Inn.

"I'm sure Mother wouldn't like it for me," she objected. "Even when I was a little girl, she hated to have me come in there."

"Well, your Mother isn't here now to nag and pick faults," growled Terrence. "I'm the only boss. You've learned arithmetic, I know. Your mother boasted enough about a prize you got.

"You'll need a bit of coaching from me before you can check up the bills, and give the right change without turning a hair. But there's nothing in it, if you've got a head on your shoulders, and you ought to, after seven years' schooling."

"Couldn't I do the same work in your office?" Terry argued. "I've been in a quiet place so long, I don't feel as if I could keep my head in a noisy crowd."

"You've been damn well spoiled, that's the matter with you, said Terrence. "Sheridan was a nut to shell out all that oof for your fancy education. Just throwing good money to the dogs! But it's gone now, every cent, and you're old enough to earn your keep.

"Juie never had your advantages. She was out in the world for herself before she was sixteen; yet look at her. A rich woman, rolling round Buenos Aires this minute in her automobile, with an apartment in a New Yourk palace to come home to.

"You've got to do as I say—see? I'll give you a few tips. Then you can take your place at that desk and prove you're fit to earn your salt. You won't have trouble with anyone. If you do, call me. But don't squeal unless you must. Make a note of that."

After this understanding had been reached, Terrence Desmond was free to stroll among his favorite customers, and a girl with gorgeous red hair and a plain black dress sat in his old place at the desk in the blue-roofed restaurant.

Tomorrow's instalment tells of a new danger in Terry's life.

CHAMBER SILENT ON DRUG INQUIRY

MATTER LEFT UNTIL INVESTIGATION IS OVER

Directors Clash Over Narcotic Proceedings—Mr. Scurrah Does Not Tell All He Knows

The Chamber of Commerce, as a body, had no comment to make at the present time on the Mounted Police drug investigation, the Chamber directors decided yesterday at the weekly luncheon of the board. The proper time to pass judgment on the inquiry, it was agreed, was on its conclusion, and a resolution introduced calling for the appointment of a new commission to probe the narcotic traffic and the relations of the Mounted Police thereto, was accordingly tabled until such time. In the meantime, nothing would be said to hamper the proceedings of the present commission.

Although the Chamber finally decided to adopt this attitude of neutrality, the discussion that preceded the decision brought out considerable expression of dissatisfaction with the course of the inquiry, and at the same time some sharp conflict of opinion.

Mr. P. B. Scurrah, sponsor of the resolution, said at one stage of the argument, "I wish I were at liberty to tell you why Mr. J. P. Smith was appointed to conduct this investigation. There's an inside story there."

Mr. Scurrah's motion set forth that the public had become alarmed at the growth and ramifications of the drug traffic as disclosed by the newspaper reports of the investigation; that it was vital that the inquiry should receive the confidence of the public, and urged therefore that a new commission consisting of an Appellate or Supreme Court judge with full and ample power to inquire into all the features of the narcotic drug situation, including the relation of the Mounted Police in reference thereto, should be appointed.

Inquiry One-Sided

The present investigation, Mr. Scurrah declared, was purely one-sided, and the public had lost confidence in it. He was not condemning the commissioner, he said, but the manner in which the inquiry was being conducted. The Attorney-General, the man who made the charges, had withdrawn, dissatisfied. If Mr. Smith was limited in his powers, said Mr. Scurrah, "we should have a new body to investigate the whole question, not only the Mounted Police, but the Provincial and the City police as well."

Mr. C. P. W. Schwengers, president of the Chamber, doubted whether it was a matter that strictly concerned the Chamber.

Mr. Scurrah replied that the drug evil was a matter for the attention of every right-thinking man, and as the representatives of the citizens of Victoria, it was incumbent on the Chamber to take it up.

Mr. Schwengers said that the Chamber represented the citizens in a commercial sense. The drug question was one that came under Sir Lomer Gouin, Minister of Justice for the Dominion. Comment upon the course of the investigation would reflect upon the Department of Justice and the Minister himself. He believed both could be relied upon to handle the matter properly.

No Faith in Commission

Mr. J. L. Beckwith seconded Mr. Scurrah's resolution, remarking that although it was true that the Chamber was a commercial body, yet it was highly proper that it should be keenly interested in the general welfare of the community.

"It will be an injurious thing if this investigation amounts to nothing, which very likely will be the case," he said, pointing out that the accused Mounted Police had the cleverest lawyers in British Columbia to conduct their case, and "to see that nothing detrimental occurs."

"Why not?" asked Mr. E. W. McMullen.

Mr. Beckwith recalled the big drug sensation in Montreal last Spring, which began with a great outburst of publicity, then suddenly vanished from public attention.

In Vancouver, he charged, "there was action taken that no commissioner should have taken. He was biased, and it's up to us ———."

Mr. McMullen: "The commissioner followed entirely customary ways of treating evidence.

Mr. J. O. Cameron, remarking upon the great difference of opinion manifested, moved that the resolution be tabled, as it was not a strictly commercial matter. This was seconded by Mr. McMullen. Mr. George McGregor agreed, saying, however, that "we must all agree that the people at large are not satisfied with the investigation."

Mr. Beckwith had no objection to this, he said, provided all questions in the same category were similarly treated. Unfortunately the board did not adhere to this practice, he claimed, saying that in the past stands had been taken by the Chamber in municipal political matters that had been commercial in no sense of the term.

Mr. Cameron's motion carried, and the resolution accordingly was left on the table, to be resurrected by anyone at his wish after the investigation has finished its work.

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CRISIS IS REACHED IN CHURCH CONTROVERSY

Dr. Leighton Parks, of Fashionable New York Congregation, Defies House of Bishops

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The start of a "war" within the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, brought on by the Modernist faction in the clergy, is foreseen. Clergymen who refuse to assert their belief in the virgin birth of Christ are lining up against the bishops.

A crisis in the dispute which has been under way for several months was brought about yesterday through the reading in the churches of the denomination of the recent pastoral letter issued by the House of Bishops. The letter called upon the clergy to uphold the "Catholic traditions," of the Church and the Nicene Creed.

Rejects Pastoral Letter

Dr. Leighton Parks, pastor of St. Bartholomew's, one of the richest and most conservative churches in the city, put aside the vestment of priesthood, donned the garb of a doctor of theology and amazed his congregation with a rejection of the pastoral letter.

Dr. Parks, who is 71 years old, and who has been rector of the fashionable Park Avenue Church for 21 years, challenged the virgin birth and the bodily resurrection of Christ. He challenged Bishop Manning, of the New York diocese to bring him to trial for heresy.

Trial of Poor Unknown

There was a side belief, he said, that the pastoral letter was aimed at Bishop Lawrence, of Massachusetts. He said it did not name the bishop because, to have done so, would have been to necessitate his trial. Instead, he said, they have ordered the trial of a "poor, unknown minister." This minister is the Rev. Lee W. Heaton, of Fort Worth, Tex. To have ordered the trial of Bishop Lawrence, Dr. Parks declared, would have "shaken the church to its foundation."

Rev. Heaton is to be tried at Fort Worth shortly after January 1 for heresy for his alleged disbelief in the virgin birth of Christ.

Bank Teller Jailed After Prolonged Chase

TORONTO, Dec. 17.—After a chase covering 15,000 miles across the continent and back again, lasting a year, Harry C. Davidson, 27, a teller of the Imperial Bank, Edmonton, Alberta, wanted since November, 1922, on a charge of stealing $18,000 of the bank's funds, was arrested in Toronto today. When located, Davidson decided to return to Toronto to confront the authorities of the bank. He was apprehended by a detective in Atlanta, Ga., Saturday. Davidson will be taken back to Edmonton to stand trial.

PRINCE OF WALES ATTENDS "TOC H"

His Royal Highness Takes Part in the Festivities of Eighth Anniversary

LONDON, Dec. 16.—The Prince of Wales today took a leading part in the festivities of the eighth anniversary of Talbot House, otherwise known as "Toc H," the well-known soldiers' organization and also attended a Thanksgiving service at All Hallow's Church in the city where he unveiled a casket for his lamp of maintenance and placed in repose the sword of Major Edmund Street, one of the founders of the organization which he brought back with him recently.

The assistants to the Prince were Sir James Barrie and Lieut.-General Sir Charles Harrington.

Following quotation from Pilgrim's Progress appears on the pedestal of the rest for the sword:

"Then," said Mr. Valiant, "for truth I give my sword to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage."

Places Founder's Sword

On placing the sword in the resting place the Prince said:

"Let us faithfully remember our elder brother and try with God's help to do our duty."

The Prince wore a "Toc H." tie, soft collar and flannel trousers. He later attended another impressive ceremony at the Guild Hall, and at which he and the Duke of Devonshire spoke, the Prince referring to his experience with regard to the "Toc H." He recalled his welcome by the Winnipeg branch two months ago. He was sorry not to have seen his friends in Montreal but the fact that the second branch had been established in Canada most certainly showed that the foundations of the organization in the great Dominion had been well and truly laid.

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NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD

COAST HOCKEY TEAMS TAKE ANOTHER FALL

All Three Go Down to Defeat in Interleague Matches on Prairies—Regina Makes It Four to One Against Victoria—Each of Other Pro Games Won by Odd Goal, Placing Patrick Teams at Disadvantage

Fredrickson Nets Lone Tally for Victoria Crew

WINNIPEG, Dec. 17.—Regina Capitals continued their winning ways at the expense of the Victoria Cougars in an interleague game here tonight, when they came through with a dashing finish in the final period to score three goals and win 4 to 1, after one of the most hotly-contested battles of the season.

Regina won because they had more finish and staying power.

Two-Period Fight

For two periods the Cougars fought them all the way, but the Western Canada leaguers were coming strongly as the game progressed, and finally broke up a real struggle in the last spasm with three well-earned goals. Victoria held a one-goal lead in the first period, when Fredrickson took a pass and his backhand shot found an opening for the only goal they tallied.

Brilliant goalkeeping by Fowler held Regina to one score in the second session, when Stanley batted in a rebound after Gagne had bored in close; but the final frame found the Regina squad much fresher and traveling faster. After Stanley broke the tie on a pass from Traub there was no stopping the Western Canada representatives, who shot two more before the end of the session, McVeigh getting both by brilliant work.

Clem Is the Star

Stanley and Hay were the outstanding players for the winners, though McCusker put up a sound game between the sticks. Clem Loughlin, with his blocking and rushing, was easily the pick of the Victoria squad. Fredrickson was the most dangerous of the forwards, but was checked closely all the way. Both McCusker and Fowler spent two minutes in the cooler during the game for slashing players, but no goals were scored during their absence.

Line-Up

Regina		Victoria
McCusker	Goal	Fowler
Traub	Defence	Halderson
Dutkowski	Defence	Loughlin
Stanley	Forward	Fredrickson
Hay	Forward	Anderson
Gagne	Forward	Meeking
Irvine	Sub.	Gibson
McVeigh	Sub.	Hart
Aseltine	Sub.	Trihey

Summary

First period—1, Victoria, Fredrickson, from Anderson, 17:00.

Second period—2, Regina, Stanley, from Gagne, 5:00.

Third period—3, Regina, Stanley, from Traub, 5:15; 4, Regina, McVeigh, from Hay, 2:15; 5, Regina, McVeigh, 4:15.

A Final Rally

SASKATOON, Dec. 17.—A two-goal rally in the third period after they had been outplayed in the opening frames gave Saskatoon Crescents their second victory in four days over the Seattle Mets, in an interleague hockey match here tonight.

The Crescents were two full periods finding themselves, and in those two Holmes stood off their attacks. Releasing a ferocious onslaught that would not be denied in the closing frame, the Crescents swept all before them. The winning counter was one of the greatest bits of hockey generalship that ever has been seen on local ice. "Newsy" Lalonde drew the defence over his way when he faked a shot and then passed to Scott, whose shot found the corner of the net, beating Holmes all the way.

Hotly Contested

The game was hotly contested. The checking and combination play of both teams stood out. The forwards back-checked and the defence's outplay and hook-check worked to advantage. Fraser and Stevens were very effective in this style of play. Fraser, McFarlane and Holmes were the best of the invading forces, all three being prominent in the Mets' surprising showing. Fraser got Seattle's lone score just after the start of the second period, bouncing a lucky one off Hainsworth's breast pad, the puck hopping over the goalie's shoulder. Cook, Lalonde and Stevens were the pick of the Saskatoon squad, with Hainsworth playing his usual stellar game in goal. Scott, through taking advantage of Lalonde's great play, also stood out.

Line-Up

Saskatoon	Position	Seattle
Hainsworth	goal	Holmes
Stevens	defence	Fisher
Cameron	defence	Fraser
Lalonde	centre	Foyston
Cook	wing	Briden
Berlinquette	wing	Walker
Scott	substitute	McFarlane
Mats	substitute	Arbour
Headley	substitute	Harris

Referee—Skinner Poulin.

Summary

First Period—No score.

Second Period—1, Seattle, Fraser, 1:45.

Third Period—2, Saskatoon, Lalonde from Scott from Cook, 4:19; 3, Saskatoon, Scott from Lalonde, 13:59.

Maroons Pack Defence

EDMONTON, Dec. 17.—Edmonton Eskimos won a well-deserved victory over the Vancouver Maroons here tonight, 3 to 2.

The Maroons came in for a lot of razzing on account of packing their defence. At times four and even five men were mobilized behind the blue line to ward off the vicious attacks of the Eskimos, and Referee Gardiner let them get away with it except when an Eskimo had to stop the play and draw his attention to it. Vancouver's second goal was scored by Duncan while he was at least twelve feet offside. Simpson was the big star of the night, getting a goal and assist. Sparrow made good, getting two goals and one assist. Keats was going well, directing the plays and testing Lehman with many hot shots. The Eskimos' defence was sound.

Line-Up

Edmonton	Position	Vancouver
Winkler	goal	Lehman
Simpson	defence	Duncan
Trapp	defence	Cook
Keats	forward	Boatrum
Brandow	forward	Skinner
Arbour	forward	MacKay
Morrison	substitute	Parkes
Sheppard	substitute	Matte
Sparrow	substitute	

Referee—Jimmy Gardiner.

Summary

First Period—1, Edmonton, Sparrow from Keats, 5:15; 2, Vancouver, Cook from Duncan, 14:15.

Second Period—3, Edmonton, Sparrow from Simpson, 5:45; 4, Vancouver, Duncan, 1:20.

Third Period—5, Edmonton, Simpson from Sparrow, 14:35.

OLD COUNTRY RUGBY

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Results of rugby games played on Saturday include the following:

Moseley, 13; Stratford-on-Avon, 0.
Wolverhampton, 0; Old Edwardians, 0.
Handsworth, 11; Bromagrove, 8.
Nuneaton, 21; Cheltenham, 5.
Hawick, 12; Edinburgh University, 0.
Galat, 8; Kelson, 10.
Jedforrest, 6; Melrose, 0.
Selkirk, 12; Langholm, 10.
West of Scotland, 36; Kelvinside Academy, 8.
Hillheadians, 6; Glasgow, 0.
Old Halleyburians, 15; Old Whitgiftians, 5.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Monday's football results:

Second Division

Coventry, 0; Hull City, 2.

Rugby Union

Edinburgh Acads., 3; Oxford University, 3 (tie).

Swansea, 25; Cambridge University, 13.

In English football, Saturday, Notts Forest 2, West Ham 1, was the correct score.

HOPPE TAKES LEAD IN BILLIARD MATCH

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Willie Hoppe took a commanding lead over Welker Cochran tonight in the first 500-point block of their 1,500-point match for the world's 18.2 balk-line billiard championship at Orchestra Hall here when he went out in five innings with a score of 500 to 203.

English Soccer Team Not Coming This Way

LONDON, Dec. 17.—At a meeting of the international selection committee of the English Football Association today, regret was expressed that they could not accede to the request of the Dominion Football Association to send a representative English team to tour Canada next Summer. They said, however, that they would give sympathetic consideration to such a project on a future occasion.

VERLEY IS RANKED FOURTH IN CANADA

Canadian Lawn Tennis Gives Three Places in First Five Dominion Players to Men of B.C.

Canadian Lawn Tennis, the official organ of the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association, is out with its annual ranking of the first ten players in all Canada. British Columbia is awarded three places, third, fourth and fifth, which are held by A. S. Milne, St. L. K. Verley (Victoria) and W. H. E. Richards, respectively. First place is awarded to Le Roy Rennie, of Toronto, Canadian champion, who last year was fifth in the ranking.

This is the complete ranking:

1. Le Roy Rennie, Toronto.
2. Willard Crocker, Montreal.
3. A. S. Milne, Vancouver.
4. St. L. K. Verley, Victoria.
6. J. Wright, Montreal.
5. W. H. E. Richards, Vancouver.
7. E. H. Laframboise, Montreal.
8. W. S. Waugh, Winnipeg.
9. P. E. Wright, Winnipeg.
10. C. H. Mercer, Halifax, and H. L. Betz, Alberta, equal.

Rickard Talks of Sending for Georges To Liven Up Things

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Unless he receives some definite word this week that will encourage the belief that Mike McTigue will defend his world's light-heavyweight title in a fifteen-round bout at Madison Square Garden next month, Promoter Tex Rickard will abandon his present plans and devote his attention to arranging an international battle between light-heavyweights. The promoter made his declaration yesterday when he said he would send for Georges Carpentier, French boxing idol, who formerly held the title, some time this week if the outlook for a McTigue-Tunney match did not brighten.

If he summons Carpentier to this country, Rickard said, he will arrange a match for the French boxer against either Tunney, the American champion, or Tommy Gibbons, St. Paul light-heavyweight, who is reported eager for a clash with the French boxer.

New Zealand Champ Tries 'Frisco Courses

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Arthur Ham, holder of the New Zealand open golf championship, is here. He has been trying out on local courses. He says he expects to make his home in this country.

BYRON LEAVING COAST

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—William Byron will not be with the Pacific Coast Baseball League next year as umpire, having accepted a position with the International League, it was announced today by Harry A. Williams, president of the Coast League.

RUGBY PRACTICE TONIGHT

There will be a practice of the Victoria representative rugby team tonight at 8 o'clock in the Horse Show Building at the Willows.

JOHNNY DUNDEE WINS TITLE BOUT

GETS JUDGES' DECISION AFTER FIFTEEN ROUNDS

Bernstein Puts Up Game Fight—Willis Is Would-Be Purchaser of Dempsey's Picture

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Johnny Dundee, of New York, the world's featherweight champion, added another star to his crown by taking the American junior lightweight championship back from Jack Bernstein, of Yonkers, on the judges' decision after a 15-round bout, the feature of the Christmas charity card at Madison Square Garden. They felt each other out in the first round, each gaining a few hearty blows at its close. Bernstein began a body attack in the second but Dundee had him missing in the latter part of the round.

Bernstein landed oftener than Dundee in the third, smashing several hard lefts to the jaw and body. Bernstein missed often in the fourth but was keeping up the attack, forcing Dundee to clinch.

Willing But Unable

Dundee was willing but unable to get inside with a worth-while blow. Bernstein rocked Dundee with a hard left to the jaw in the sixth.

Dundee monopolized the seventh with a left jab which he poked in Bernstein's face continuously, but it did little damage. Both went into a furious body exchange at the end of the round.

Dundee took some severe body drubbing in the ninth.

Dundee took more body blows in the tenth and eleventh but in the twelfth he was stronger, hooking a hard left and right to Bernstein's kidneys.

Dundee scored heavily with both hands to the body in the thirteenth. Bernstein had slowed when the fourteenth began and outside the clinches Dundee shoved hard rights to jaw and body.

They went into a heavy body exchange, but Dundee drew away and was short for the jaw as the fifteenth opened. From a clinch Dundee placed both hands to the head and Bernstein was unable to land a blow. Dundee staggered him with a right to the jaw Bernstein countering with a left to the jaw. They clinched as the fight ended.

Kangaroo Punches

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Sammey Mandell, Rockford, Ill., and Sid. Terris, of New York, fought a 10-round draw in the semi-final bout of the Christmas charity programme at Madison Square Gardens tonight. Terris, who is built after the fashion of a kangaroo, used the tactics of that animal to such an advantage that the harder hitting westerner was kept puzzled until near the end of the bout. Mandell's punishing blows in the last minutes squared the difference.

Jack Dempsey was given a tremendous ovation and a few catcalls when he was introduced from the ring. Prominent sporting and theatrical followers bid for an oil painting of the champion that was auctioned off by Joe Humphreles, veteran announcer of the garden. The portrait went to Harry Siegel, of New York, for $1,100. Harry Willis, Dempsey's negro challenger, bid $1,050 for the picture and the champion wanted him to have it, but Siegel offered the higher figure.

Herman Is Hurt

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Apparently in great pain, Babe Herman, formerly of California, was forced to quit at the end of his ten-round preliminary with Kid Sullivan tonight. Herman had a safe margin on points when he conceded the technical knockout.

His face distorted with pain, Herman was unable to crawl through the ropes and had to be lifted from the ring. He was aided to his dressing room, where a hasty investigation did not disclose the source of the pain. Herman weighed 128¼ and Sullivan 130.

One Day's Default In Dues Cancels Policy Thirty-Five Years Old

MONTREAL, Dec. 17.—Because his insurance dues were paid one day too late to the Dominion Commercial Travelers' Association, the widow of W. E. Smith, of St. Lambert, lost $1,200, although he had been a member in good standing with the association for the last thirty-five years. The case was brought up at the annual meeting of the association on Saturday, but it was found that nothing could be done as the by-laws were explicit. Finally, it was decided that a general subscription should be taken among the members of the association.

France's War Premier Hurt In Accident

ST. GERMAIN-EN-LAYE, France, Dec. 17. — Georges Clemenceau, France's war premier, was hurt in an automobile accident while driving along the Nantes-Paris road. Clemenceau's face was cut by glass from the broken windshield. Surgeons found it necessary to put several stitches in it, after which the former premier proceeded to his Paris home, apparently little the worse for his mishap. The chauffeur suffered more serious injuries. The accident occurred when Clemenceau's chauffeur, to avoid a collision, jammed his brakes down hard and his machine skidded into a tree.

Recount Ordered In Vancouver Elections

VANCOUVER, Dec. 17.—A recount has been ordered by Mr. Justice Morrison of votes cast in the mayoralty election here last Wednesday, when Alderman W. R. Owen was declared elected by a majority of fifty-three in a total vote of more than 13,000. L. D. Taylor was the runner-up. The recount will be taken Wednesday, when votes cast in the aldermanic election in Ward 7 also will be recounted. In this ward F. E. Woodside was declared elected over Alderman Scribbins by twenty-seven votes with five candidates running.

MEMBERS GASP AS COST IS REVEALED

EXPENSE OF MEMORIAL PARK WILL BE $7,711.87

Esquimalt Council Refuses to Pay Solicitor Finland More Than $275 for By-Law Revision

Members of the Esquimalt Council appeared quite surprised at their meeting last night when the estimate for the cost of the War Memorial Park, which it is proposed to erect in the municipality, amounted to $7,711.87, according to a communication received from Municipal Engineer Bourne.

The Council had thought that the construction of the park could be done at less expense, and when the figure was read out last night, the councillors gasped, and Reeve Lockley admitted that "it is a lot of money, all right." On Councillor Anderson's motion, the engineer's letter, along with the plans for the park, were referred to next year's Esquimalt Council.

On Councillor Pomeroy's suggestion, the Council recommended to next year's Council that an agreement should be drawn up between the Council and its employees and stating clearly what was expected of them.

The Council adopted the unanimous report of the finance committee and decided to refuse to pay Municipal Solicitor Finland any more than $275 for his work in revising and consolidating the by-laws of the district. The committee felt that as Mr. Finland had contracted to do this work for the sum mentioned, it did not favor paying him $400, the amount which he sought to obtain at the last meeting for the work.

Arrangements were made for the annual municipal election, which will be held on Saturday, January 19. Nominations will be held at the Municipal Hall, on Monday, January 14, between noon and 2 p.m. Mr. J. R. Collister will again be returning officer. If an election is necessary, voters in Section One will mark their ballots in the Sailor Club, while Section Two voters will record the franchise at the store on the corner of Craigflower Road and Arm Street.

ALDERMAN ROGERS WAXES WRATHFUL

Terminal City Guardian Denounces Statement of Attorney-General as to Beer Clubs

VANCOUVER, Dec. 17.—Attorney-General Manson's statement in the Legislature this afternoon brought swift protest from members of Vancouver's City Council tonight. Alderman F. P. Rogers denied that it was the action of the City Council which led to "the establishment of gambling dens and hard liquor dives of the worst type," and which had resulted in "social conditions which were an eyesore to all decent people." And regarding the new proposals of the Attorney-General to remedy the situation by introducing a plebiscite on a two-fifths basis, William Savage, legal advisor of the Prohibition Association, said it was going from bad to worse.

"When Mr. Manson says the City Council issued beer licences, he's a liar," declared Alderman Rogers, "because we never did and he knows it. I'm going to read that statement of his to the City Council at the first opportunity and ask for an official denial. When the city brought in the by-law to licence clubs it was clearly understood that there would be no provision in the by-law to permit the clubs to sell beer.

What Everybody Knows

"Everybody knows the clubs sell beer but it is the Provincial Government which supplies them with the beer and it is up to the Provincial Government to stop the supply if it does not like present conditions.

"I consider this a deliberate attempt on the part of the Attorney-General to shove the blame for present conditions on the City Council. The Government allows clubs all over the Province to do the same thing and yet he singles out the Vancouver City Council for an attack," said Alderman Rogers.

Mr. Savage said the blame for the present conditions rested upon the Vancouver Police Commission and the Government.

"We blame the Police Commission for not enforcing the law and we blame the Government for selling liquor to the clubs."

MAKES HOLE IN ONE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—The California Hole-in-One Club, is augmented today by the membership of H. P. Hurford, who made the third hole, 144 yards, with a perfect drive to the green, the ball rolling into the cup.

Motor vehicle registrations in California in October were 71,794, as compared with 51,714 for this month last year.

Young Liberals Win From Victoria Team

Six to Four Is Final Reckoning in Amateur Hockey Game at Vancouver—Good Combination Work Shown by Both Teams—Russell Oatman Is Star of the Match—Locals Are Outplayed in Thrilling Battle

VANCOUVER, Dec. 17.—Young Liberals, representing Vancouver in the first intercity amateur hockey game here this season, defeated the Victoria All-Stars tonight by a score of six to four. It was a closely-contested battle throughout, and only the superior stamina of the locals gave them the edge that won the game for them in the final period.

One of the main features of the contest was the brilliant combination attacks used by both teams. Seldom was the one-man rush style resorted to, with the result that the fans witnessed one of the best amateur games in years at the local arena.

Russell Oatman, the youthful left winger of the Capitals, was the outstanding star of the evening, his work from start to finish, both on forward work and checking, being a treat to watch. Gravlin, in the Victoria goal, gave a finished display, and the work of Miller also was outstanding. Herec played a splendid game for the locals, his hook checking being one of the features. Croswell worked well, as also did Choppy Anderson, this defence duo proving most effective in breaking up opposing attacks. Frank Shaw drew the only penalty for a minor infraction.

Summary

First period—1, Victoria, Matthews, 11:05.

Second period—2, Vancouver, Grinnet, 4:45; 3, Victoria, Miller, 2:00; 4, Vancouver, Herec from Brown, :30; 5, Victoria, Miller, 3:00; 6, Vancouver, Shaw, 1:07; 7, Vancouver, Herec, 5:24.

Third period—8, Vancouver, Croswell, 1:31; 9, Vancouver, Shaw from Jupp, 9:40; 10, Victoria, Temple, 6:50.

SIR J. W. TAVERNER DEAD

MELBOURNE, Dec. 17.—Hon. Sir John William Taverner died today. Sir John Taverner occupied a number of prominent public positions in connection with the State of Victoria, Australia, the last of which was agent-general for Victoria in London from 1904 to 1913. He was a member of the Legislative Assembly from 1889 to 1904.

LADY MEMBER WAS KISSED BY DOZENS

Expresses Opinion That Women's Vote Elected Her, But "Men Were Very Kind"

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Lecturing tonight on her recent election experiences, Lady Torrington, one of the eight women elected to the House of Commons, expressed the opinion that the women's vote put her in parliament, adding: "I know the men were very kind to be, because I was kissed by dozens."

Lady Torrington declared she was appalled during the campaign at the ignorance of people who never thought about what was good for them or the country. She announced her intention to introduce a bill to give votes to women aged 21 years and up.

"After all, some women of 21 are mothers," she added. "The poor mere man, bless him, means such a lot to us, but we mean such a lot to him as well."

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In almost all forms of sport there are unwritten laws which are honored by sportsmen who play the games concerned. The letter of the law is not always insisted on in friendly encounters.

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Take Rugby football, for instance. Somebody was arguing on the sidelines the other day as to whether, when the ball goes into touch, there is any rule which compels the side whose ball it is to wait for a "line-out."

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The laws merely state that one of the side to whom the ball belongs shall bring it into play at the spot where it went into touch by throwing it at right angles to the line, or scrummaging.

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Like many other laws this has been translated into custom—i.e., the line-out—and, though attempts are often made to gain advantage by a quick throw-in, custom is generally followed the more readily and the line-out waited for.

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In cricket, when a man is obviously "backing up" so much as to be out of his ground before the ball has left the bowler's hand, it is seldom that a bowler will put down the wicket at his own end AND APPEAL. Where the offence is very flagrant, he will much more usually go through the motions of putting down the wicket as a warning without appealing.

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Not always the beer which is drunk so much as the beer that isn't drunk.

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WONDER IF THAT IS AN ARGUMENT FOR OR AGAINST PROHIBITION?

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In response to an inquirer as to a question of ancient history, there is some doubt as to the country of origin of the game of golf, but Scotsmen still play it.

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A fifteen-cent store golf ball was found on a local course the other day with the former owner's name marked on it in two places.

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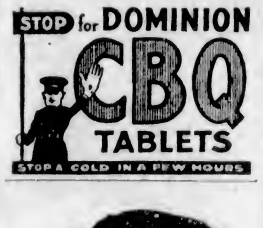

Our portrait is of Mr. MICHAEL T. ROONEY, of 95, Granville Avenue, Long Eaton, England, who writes:—

"Some years ago whilst touring Ireland with 'Sanger's Royal Circus,' I contracted some kind of an irritable skin complaint, which seemed to baffle different treatments in the way of ointments and lotions, all of which utterly failed to give me the slightest relief. Recently at Long Eaton where I am engaged as Advertising Manager of The Picturedrome, the conductor there begged me to try Clarke's Blood Mixture, but I refused. However, he, knowing its curative powers from experience, made me a present of a bottle, which I began to take. Recognising a slight improvement in my limbs, I got another bottle, and continued the treatment until I had used four bottles, and now my skin is perfectly healthy again."

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VERY REV. DEAN TUCKER

Of London, Ont., who, in an address to the World Missionary Conference in that city last week, said that the church had failed to reach the rich in its appeal for missions, and that men and women of wealth did not contribute in proportion to those of lesser means.

MUSSOLINI ACTS TO PRY OFF RADIO LID

Italy May Soon Begin Broadcasting —Italians Will Have to Pay Tax Fixed by Wave Length of Sets

ROME. — The question of inaugurating a broadcasting service in Italy has been seriously discussed for the last year, but there was little hope of obtaining permission from the Government for such a service until the matter recently was brought to the attention of the Premier himself, who promised to do his utmost to simplify the bureaucratic difficulties which had always surrounded any proposition regarding radio.

The matter was placed in the hands of governmental experts, and they have devoted much time to outlining a programme, which, frankly, is not exactly what Italian radio experts had hoped, but one must be satisfied that at least broadcasting has become a possibility and the wall of opposition which thwarted every radio plan has been demolished by the Fascisti Government. One company has agreed to pay a certain tax to the Government in return for the permission of starting a broadcasting service throughout Italy.

Fans Must Pay Rent

This company is allowed to charge a certain amount to all subscribers, but unfortunately radiophans and amateur inventors are not numerous throughout Italy at present. Heretofore they have not been encouraged, in fact, heavy fines have been imposed if private installations were placed on roofs or terraces of private dwellings.

It is hoped that with the broadcasting service radiophans will increase in number, otherwise the project will be doomed to failure. The concession will be given to the Italian Marconi Wireless Company. They must undertake, according to the conditions laid down by the Government, to supply a broadcasting service of news, concerts, etc., on a wave length which wil vary from 200 to 400 metres.

Letters to the Editor

The Provincial Party

Sir,—I venture to trespass on your recognized good nature to seek an answer to a question put to me recently.

I have just lately returned from the Prairie Provinces, where I have been engaged ever since last June, and, having nothing to do at present, have been looking up old friends.

In course of conversation the other evening, discussion arose as to the merits or otherwise of the two great political parties, and mention was made of charges levelled at our Premier by the Provincial Party in a recent issue of their paper.

In a report of a convention held in Vancouver recently by the Third Party (and which seems to have been very much a "fizzle") mention was made of the expenses incurred by this party, and one was particularly struck with the fact that out of a total expenditure of about $50,000, all but about $5,000 came out of General McRae's pocket.

It is a source of great wonder to the average man or the street that out of a boasted pledged list of thousands of supporters, the "pay roll" had to be met by General McRae, and as this gentleman seems to be a very good business man, we presume that this money is not being laid out as a philanthropic scheme, hence "the nigger."

If by this expenditure he seeks to obtain a seat for himself in the next Legislature, I think he has taken the wrong step, and that this will prove one of his bad investments. If he had the good of the province at heart by trying to purge its politics, he could have accomplished his ends with very much less expenditure, as, instead of carrying a paper in which to broadcast slander and make accusations against our Premier (the half of which, according to Mr. Oliver, if true, was sufficient to send him to the penitentiary), he could have laid his charges in a court of law as a citizen and taxpayer, and the charges would have been proven "false" or "true," and the average citizen would have been better satisfied.

One must, therefore, come to the conclusion that it is all a "political game," either to assist the present administration back to office by splitting the vote, or endeavor to capture a seat for himself.

I don't think the people of the province are going to be fooled by Third Party or Independent candidates, as they had their "stomach" full last election, when several "independents" were run in order to make the seat secure for the government; one case, in particular, I know of where the Independent man in the constituency was given a government position after the election, and still holds it.

What have third parties ever accomplished? Look at Ontario. They were thrown out as incompetent; and look at our Dominion Parliament today; what has the Progressive, or Third Party done there? Absolutely nothing.

Well, Mr. Editor, I must apologise for wandering slightly from my original query, but if you cannot find the "nigger in the wood pile," perhaps some of your correspondents may, as my friend is rather anxious to find him, and so is yours truly.

THOMAS ERICKSON.

General Delivery, Victoria, B.C.

Municipal Vote for French Women Favored

PARIS, Dec. 17.—According to the French Government's viewpoint on woman suffrage and the family vote, laid before the Chamber of Deputies suffrage committee today, the government is in favor of giving women municipal votes without going as far as the committee, which reported in favor of their complete rights to vote and to be elected.

The government is favorable in principle to the family vote, but is hardly prepared to give a man a vote for each child, and would suggest something like two votes for four children, or three votes for six children.

Question Power of French Courtmartial

DUSSELDORF, Dec. 17.—The competency of the French courtmartial here which is trying forty German officials and members of the security police on chargee of murder and other grave offences in connection with the tragic Rhineland Separatist demonstrations here on September 30, was challenged by counsel for the defence at the opening session today. The challenge presented by Herr Brauetigam, a Dusseldorf lawyer, was based on argument that the demonstrations in which 118 persons were killed and 150 seriously wounded, were of purely German concern, since the French have always declared themselves neutral in the Separatist movement.

The Mexican Government intends to change the apparatus used in its radio stations from spark to continuous wave. With the present spark sets it is reported that the Mexican stations can communicate only with two European stations; one, POZ, at Nauen, Germany, and the other, Lafayette at Bourdeaux, France. Equipment for four modern transmission stations of continuous-wave type have been ordered from Germany at a cost of $200,000. They will be installed at Mexico City, Merida, Vera Cruz and Tampico. The old spark stations will be transferred to the Islas Marias; La Paz, Lower California, Guadalajara, Jalisco and Acapulco, Guerro.

In the case of a shortage of engineers in some railway work, a radio message broadcast recently brought a supply of college men who are pursuing courses in engineering. This is a pretty sure way of reaching those you are seeking, for the news is quickly spread and even though you are not the one fitted for the work your interest in the broadcast will lead to telling others who may not have receiving sets. It is surprising how seldom radio is resorted to for this emergency when it is considered how effective it is.

The smallest automobile produced in France is only seven feet long. It has a single cylinder 3 1-2 horsepower engine, three speeds, and is capable of doing thirty-five miles per hour with a consumption of sixty miles to the gallon.

C. W. ROMANS

Of St. John, N.B., the secretary of the Association of Canadian Clubs, an organization which keeps the Canadian Clubs all over the Dominion in touch with progress being made in the various provinces, and provides means of securing the services of famous speakers.

Did you know that when grease stands it has a tendency to cake and thus prevent proper lubrication? If not, better clean out all the grease cups before cold weather sets in and refill with fresh, soft grease. The old grease in the cups is about as useful as soap, and sticking there at the bottom of the cups their capacity for fresh lubricant is really restricted. If it is desired to drain the transmission the car should be left standing in a heated garage over night with the drain plug removed.

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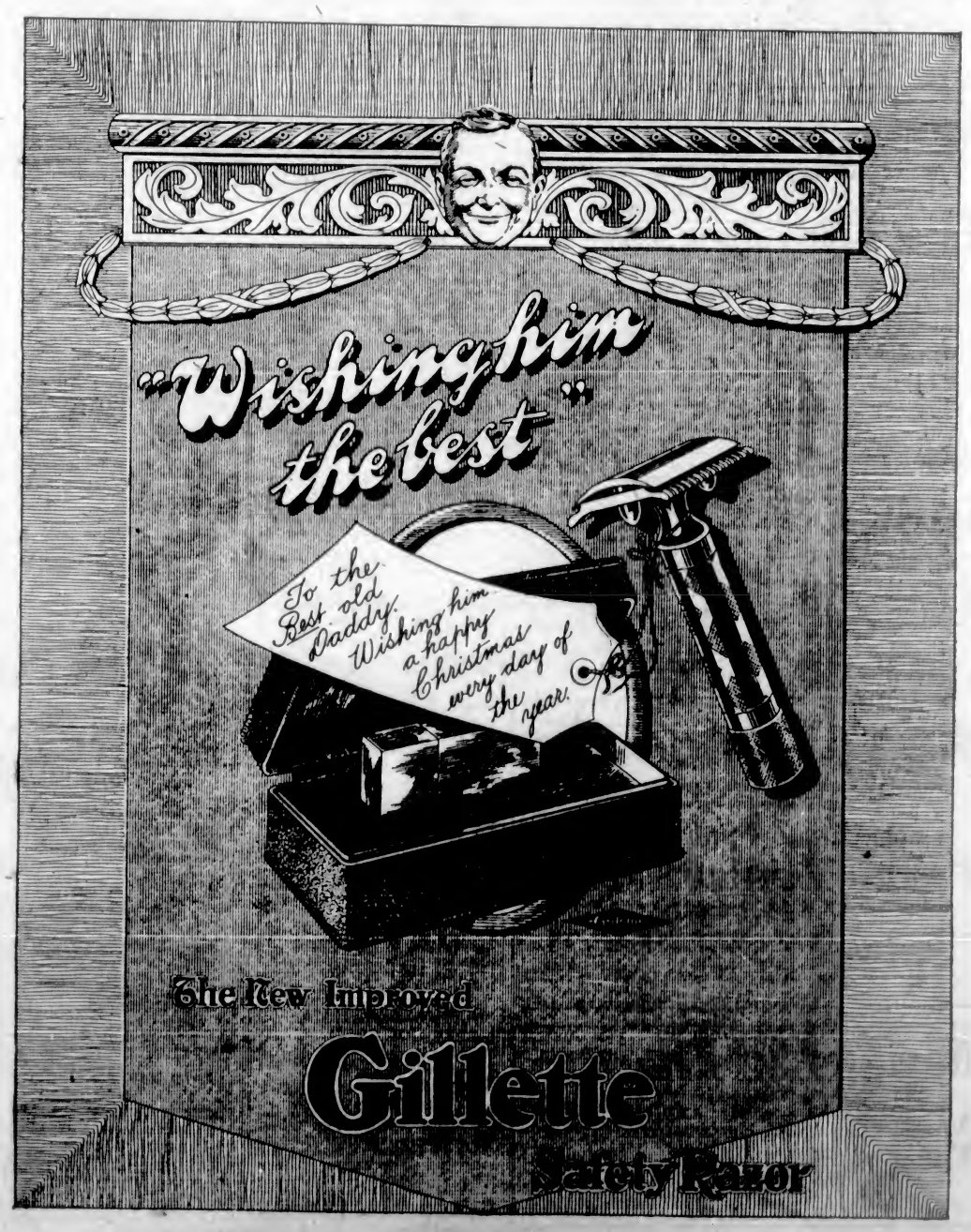

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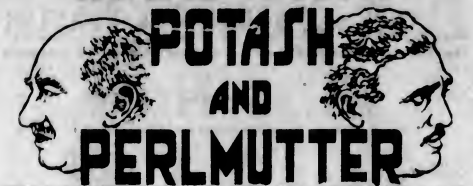

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COLUMBIA

TODAY

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COMEDY AND NEWS

The Victoria Ladies' Musical Club

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MYSTERY PLAY TO BE GIVEN TONIGHT

"Eager Heart" to Be Performed at Victoria High School Under Auspices of Ladies' Musical Club

The old mystery play, "Eager Heart," is to be given this evening at the Victoria High School, under the auspices of the Ladies' Musical Club. This very interesting old play, which has been traditionalized by time, is hemmed round by conditions: it may not be performed in a theatre, the names of the players may not be published, etc., etc. This, however, does not in the slightest detract from its beauty, although it often makes it very difficult to give. It must have appealed very greatly to the composer Bach or he would not have written the lovely music which he did for it. Mr. Drury Pryce's orchestra (with Mr. Dilworth at the piano) will play the orchestral music, while a quartette composed of Miss Eva Hart, soprano; Mrs. R. Baird, contralto; Mr. Maris Hale, tenor, and Mr. Frank Sehl, bass, is giving several selections. There are two or three chorales and carols sung by the choir under Mr. Waddington's direction. The dialogue is given by present or past girls of St. George's School.

ACADEMY RECITAL

The December recital given by the students of the Dominion Academy of Music took place on Friday evening in the Recital Hall. An attractive programme was presented to the large audience, who warmly applauded the highly promising work of the students. The long and varied programme was ably sustained, and the pleasing rendering of the various items gave undoubted evidence of the sterling work carried on at the Dominion Academy.

Among those making a very successful first appearance must be mentioned Miss Lizzy Wainwright, who sang with sweet tone and charming expression, and Miss Jean MacKenzie, who played "Romanee in G" in a very promising style. A specially successful number was the Mendelssohn Concerto in G Minor for two pianos, played by the Misses Rachel Daniels, L.A.B., and Evelyn Wheeler, who showed an admirable conception of the work, while their execution was of a masterly character. Miss Evelyn Wheeler again showed her ability in her clever solo, Jardin sous la pluie (Debussy). Six students of the advanced grade showed remarkable precision in the Ensemble Duet on three pianos. Master Arthur Johnson's violin solo was a decided advance on his previous efforts, the difficult passages being rendered with great ease and good intonation. Much regret was expressed at the absence through illness of the Misses Norah Jones, L.A.B.; Merle North, L.A.B., and Ellen Bridge.

Tires, wheel spokes, differential gears and universal joints are the parts of an automobile which suffer most from sudden and severe brake applications.

HEART WAS SO BAD HAD TO SIT UP IN BED

Mrs. O. E. Fitzgerald, 106 Ross St., St. Thomas, Ont., writes:—"In the Fall of 1921, I was taken ill with my heart, but I did not pay much attention to it. I kept on with my household duties, but seemed to become worse and worse, and finally had to call in a doctor. He said I was all run down and was a nervous wreck. I had a severe pain in my chest which would move over to my heart and it became so bad I could not lie down, as when I did I had such a smothering feeling I would have to sit up in bed till it passed away.

"I tried several remedies, but with no good results. Finally, I was induced to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. I took 7 boxes, and I am now as well as I was 20 years ago, and I am now 65 years old."

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At the Playhouses

EXCELLENT PHOTOPLAY AT ROYAL THIS WEEK

"Potash and Perlmutter" Is a Sparkling Gem of Humor and Pathos—Season's Greatest Picture

Once in a while this reviewer sees a picture that makes him want to throw his hat into the air and shout, exuberantly: "Hurray!" On some occasions he has found it difficult to resist the impulse to act thusly, and one of those occasions came last night at the Royal Victoria, where "Potash and Perlmutter," a First National picture, began a week's engagement.

"Potash and Perlmutter" is a sparkling gem of humor and pathos; a photoplay that, in our judgment, will take rank with the greatest pictures within memory. It is a picture that makes you ask yourself: "What would we do without the movies?" And the only answer is a shudder.

For fear that we may be considered unduly enthusiastic we hasten to add that the audience of which we were a part yesterday, agreed unanimously with us regarding this production. There was one continuous roar of laughter, now a happy ripple, now a tremendous crescendo.

MADGE KENNEDY PLAYS LEAD IN NEW PICTURE

"The Purple Highway" Is Feature Attraction at Capitol Theatre This Week—Star Heavily Insured

Few motion picture theatregoers of Victoria were aware when they saw Madge Kennedy in "The Purple Highway" at the Capitol Theatre last night, that her life was insured for $250,000 by the Kenma Corporation, who made this production for Paramount release, to insure them against loss should Miss Kennedy's life be sacrificed during the filming of the thrilling and hazardous water scenes that abound in the picture. Fortunately for all concerned the charming star went through the ordeals of production witout the slightest mishap.

In "The Purple Highway," Madge Kennedy appears as April Blair, who, beginning her career as a little slavey in a public Home for Artistic Failures, mounts the ladder to majesty and splendor and at the top finds a love which makes her know that all her struggles have been worth wile. Miss Kennedy has been starring on the stage for three years in notable successes—"Twin Beds," "Fair and Warmer" and "Cornered," and "The Purple Highway" signalizes her reappearance on the screen.

Henry Kolker, who directed George Arliss in "Disraeli," and who recently returned from Italy after staking the massive, Italian spectacle, "Sant Ilaria," directed "The Purple Highway." Rufus Steele adapted the story from the John Colden stage success, "Dear Me," by Hale Hamilton and Luther Reed. The play itself, which proved one of the biggest winners of the man who produced Lightnin'," was more frivolous and less dramatic than the picture play has proved to be.

"THE GOLD DIGGERS" SHOWING AT DOMINION

Able Screen Version Closely Follows Belasco Stage Play—Hope Hampton Plays Title Role

The stage and its chorus girls, duffy dresses and costumes, vivid make-up, hustle and bustle of dressing rooms, and the gay night life of the gorgeously gowned players are picturesquely portrayed in "The Gold Diggers," which opened yesterday at the Dominion Theatre for a week's run as the feature attraction of a well-balanced bill.

Throughout the entire picture, the eye is constantly delighted by the stupendous sets—big stage scenes, large, beautifully furnished apartments, "wild" parties with all their splendor, and the beautiful, soft atmosphere of Spanish dances.

The picture closely follows the Belasco stage play of the same name from which it was apapted, and the plottings of the "gold diggers" are set forth in their most amusing, humorous aspects.

Hope Hampton, who plays the part of Jerry Lamar, the leader of a group of chorus girls, and Windham Standing as Stephen Lee, a rich business man who seeks diversion from his daily routine, are wonderfully fitted for their parts.

COLUMBIA THEATRE Whatever you many think of the sentimental story that Mr. Fox has woven around the village smithy in "The Village Blacksmith," the feature attraction which is playing at the Columbia today, this picture is sure to carry you back to your childhood days. It brings to life the man with large and sinewy hands. So far as we are concerned, William Walling is precisely the person we met some years ago in a very small schoolhouse out in Kansas. This is just a plain melodrama with John Hammond the village blacksmith, suffering, suffering, suffering. Poor Mother Mary Carr of "Over the Hill" comes in for no more heartaches than does William Walling here. The death of his wife leaves him to rear his family of three. And by the time he gets them to the marrying age, after a siege of almost continuous meanness at the hands of every one else in the village, he has wept himself gray haired.

SOUSA AT NORTH END OF TOUR AS HE VISITS HERE

That Lieut.-Com. John Philip Sousa's forthcoming annual tour, the thirty-first of his career, and his fourteenth transcontinental journey is in every sense a transcontinental tour, is indicated by a glance at the extremes of the Sousa itinerary. Sousa will reach his farthest point to the northeast in Boston. He will be his farthest to the northwest at Victoria, B.C., and his farthest to the southeast at San Antonio, Texas. He will play his engagement farthest to the southeast at Miami, Florida. The tour this season began early in July, and ends early in March. Based upon last season's attendance, his band will be heard during the tour by more than 2,500,000 persons, a greater number of people than the total number of patrons of the famous New York Hippodrome for a single season in the heyday of its existence. Sousa's Band will appear at the Royal, matinee and evening of Saturday, December 29.

AMUSEMENTS

The Screen

Capitol—Madge Kennedy in "The Purple Highway."

Columbia — "The Village Blacksmith," starring William Walling.

Dominion — Hope Hampton in "The Gold Diggers."

Royal—"Potash and Perlmutter," featuring Barney Bernard and Alexander Carr.

LOCAL INTEREST IS GROWING IN BIG PANTOMIME

Local interest is considerably aroused in the forthcoming appearance of the famous pantomine "Peter Pan's Dream," which is being produced by that capable manager, Mr. Reginald Hicks.

There is a unique cast, including a beauty chorus of forty-five voices, dancing, gorgeous costumes, special scenery, and vivid colors, all combining to produce one of the most fascinating shows ever brought on a Victoria stage.

Miss Rosemary Naismith, who takes the part of Peter Pan, is possessed of a very winning personality, and is sure to appeal to all in the charming manner she conducts herself in her difficult role.

Words cannot express the picturesque vividness of the beauty chorus, which, in itself, is a great attraction, and the excellent singing is a feature worth going to hear.

Special music has been arranged for this brilliant production.

REPEAT CAROL AT CENTENNIAL TONIGHT

Mr. Francis Compton to Give Reading of Popular Dickens Work at Church—Special Rates

Tonight, at the Centennial Church, Gorge Road, will witness the repeat reading of Charles Dickens's "A Christmas Carol," by the well-known English actor, Francis Compton. In order that all students of the community may have the opportunity of hearing this gem in literature's art, special admission rates have been arranged. Mrs. Clifford Warn will again preside at the piano, and the reading will commence at 8:30.

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A parcel was made up of various odds and ends which would undoubtedly appeal to any daughter of Eve on this side of the Pacific, or on that. In addition a book of views of Victoria was included.

The recipient expressed his thanks and carefully examined the picture book. What interest the views would arouse in the little family thousands of miles from Victoria! There were Government House, the Parliament Buildings, and other scenes of magnificence which would duly impress the beholder. Anxiously he turned the pages over, scanning each picture intently, and when the galaxy of beauty was completed he turned and asked in a dejected voice, "What for no picture of Herald Street?"

Not all the architectural perfection of the legislative pile could atone for such an omission.

COUNCIL PASSES BY-LAW AT LAST

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ward replied that if Mr. Gardom would assure a supply of water he would guarantee that a pool would be built next year, if he had to go out and collect the money to do it with. Nothing was done in regard to the question.

Question of Profits

The by-law was amended to provide that steam could be carried from the Empress Hotel to the amusement centre for heating purposes.

Alderman Woodward endeavored to have an amendment made so that instead of profits, existing after the company had taken six per cent and a reasonable amount had been allowed for depreciation, being turned back into the amusement centre for the making of improvements, they would be spent as the Council would designate. When the vote was taken on the amendment, Alderman Woodward was the only one who voted for it.

Alderman Woodward then moved another amendment that the Council as well as the company have a voice in how the surplus profits would be spent to improve the amusement centre. This also failed to carry.

Alderman Sargent moved for the insertion of a provision whereby the company would file a copy of the amusement centre's balance sheet with the city each year and the city would have access to the record of receipts and expenditures. This proposal also failed to meet with the approval of the Council.

While Alderman Woodward fought various features of the by-law throughout and voted against it last night, he told The Colonist that he would not carry on any campaign to prevent the passage of the measure by the ratepayers.

The vote on the by-law will take place on December 29 from nine to seven o'clock. Mr. William Scowcroft was appointed returning officer and the quarters at the northwest corner of Government and Johnson Streets was named as the polling place.

"The agreement is very satisfactory," said Alderman A. E. Todd, leader in the negotiations with the C.P.R., to The Colonist after the meeting last night. "I feel sure that the ratepayers will think so too."

A "jay-walking" ordinance is enforced in Milwaukee, Wis., and pedestrians are required to cross streets only at intersections.

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WANT COWICHAN RIDING RESTORED

Indignation Meetings Held at Duncan Saturday Night—Protests Entered by Residents Against Action

The people of Duncan and other points in the electoral district of Cowichan are intensely agitated over the attempt made by the Government to take away their representation in the Legislature by coalescing the district with the two existing ridings of Esquimalt and Newcastle. Two indignation meetings were held in Duncan on Saturday night upon the return of the delegation that had waited on the Premier earlier that day.

Mr. Kenneth Duncan, the member for the district, spent the week-end at his home and was present at both meetings.

The first meeting had been called for another purpose, but so intense was the feeling that it was turned into an indignation meeting, with Mayor Smithe presiding. Addresses were given by the delegates and by the member for the district, after which a resolution was passed on motion of the president of the Board of Trade and the president of the Agricultural Society, protesting in the strongest manner against what was described as rank injustice to the Cowichan district.

Later, a theatre, where a moving picture show was in progress, was visited and, following the entertainment, another meeting was organized, when the situation was presented to those in attendance, and again resolutions of protest were passed.

The member has returned to his duties armed with these resolutions and will take the earliest opportunity to present the views of his constituents before the Legislature.

The contention is that the riding is one of the oldest in the Province and has had its part in the development of the country in no uncertain way. As an agricultural section it is proud of its record and takes second place to no other in the Province. It is pointed out that in the line of co-operative selling it led the way in this country. The constituency as at present constituted is an agricultural one, and its problems have to do in large measure with that line of industry. It wishes to be left as it is.

ALLEGED BIGAMIST APPEARS IN COURT

Young Ladner Man Is Brought Here From Alberta to Answer Charge Laid by Second Wife

Charged with bigamy, and arrested on the information of his second wife, Duncan McKay, a young fisherman, formerly of Ladner, appeared before Magistrate Jay in the Provincial police court yesterday.

The magistrate was informed that the defendant wished to plead guilty to the charge; but the court refused to commit McKay for trial without depositions. A remand of one week was ordered, so that the first wife, said to be living in Ladner, might be called as a witness to the fact of the first marriage.

McKay was brought to this city by Provincial Constable Robert Owens from Lacombe, Alberta, where the accused was arrested by the Provincial police on the complaint of his last wife, who alleges that she married him as Elizabeth Sophia Georgeson, in the Mayne Island Lighthouse, on September 17, 1919.

Wants to Plead Guilty

The depositions of the second wife, sworn to before an Alberta magistrate, allege that when she went through the form of marriage with him McKay was already married to Josephine Gabrielle, and that the marriage was made in Ladner, on October 3, 1914.

Senior Constable Otway Wilkie, appearing for the Provincial police, said that the defendant was anxious to plead guilty. Mr. Wilkie submitted that the court could commit the defendant without other depositions than those supplied by the second wife.

Must Have Evidence

"I have always held that I must not assume a jurisdiction where there is any doubt about it," said Magistrate Jay. "If a person walks into my jurisdiction, that is one thing; if he is brought into it from another place, that is another thing. There is evidence here as to the second marriage, but I must have evidence of the first before I can commit this man."

The case was remanded until next Saturday. McKay informed Constable Wilkie that he was unable to furnish bail.

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AT ALL LEADING HATTERS

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EFFORT TO SUPPRESS TRAFFIC ENDORSED

Women's Canadian Club Executive Dispatches Telegram to Minister Re Suppression of Drugs

At a special meeting of the executive of the Women's Canadian Club, held on Friday afternoon, the following telegram, which is being sent to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa, as drafted, and will be sent forward in the name of the executive owing to the impossibility of putting the matter before a general meeting of the organization sooner than January 15:

"The executive of the Women's Canadian Club places itself on record as being in full sympathy with every public effort that is being made to secure the fullest investigation into the narcotic drug situation in British Columbia; and prays that a commission be appointed to inquire into all the features of said situation in this Province."

AMUSEMENT CENTRE WILL BE UNIQUE

Mr. A. E. Carmichael Tells Gyros Club There Will Be Nothing Like Building on Continent

If the proposed amusement centre is built here, there will be nothing like it on the American continent and possibly no where else in the world, Mr. Alfred E. Carmichael, of the Chamber of Commerce Amusement Centre committee, told the Gyro Club at its wekely luncheon yesterday.

After giving a history of the amusement centre here, Mr. Carmichael told of the principal features of the amusement centre agreement, as already published in The Colonist, and also described the plans of the building. He painted in glowing colors the scenes which would be enacted with the "Crystal Garden," which is the proposed name of the centre.

While the company would pledge itself to spend at least $200,000 on the centre, said the speaker, it would likely, judging by the way it had far exceeded its promises in regard to the Empress Hotel expenditures, invest a much larger sum than this.

At the conclusion of the address, several questions were answered by Mr. Carmichael.

Mr. Stanley Okell gave an account of the progress made during the year by the Red Cross Workshops, of which he is in charge. Considerable new machinery had been secured and a hand loom was now being operated, turning out tweed cloth. Thirty-two men, all incapable of competing in the open labor market, were being employed, the payroll being $1,500 a month. The amount of labor each day had been increased from four to seven hours. Mr. Okell asked for orders, for the shops in order that the workers might be given support in their battle against circumstances. He invited the Gyros to inspect the shops. A store had been opened on Government Street, near Fort Street, where a wide variety of gifts could be secured.

The gathering much enjoyed two vocal solos by Mr. L. Brunelle and selections by the Gyro orchestra under the leadership of Gyro Chris Wade.

APPEAL FOR GIFTS WINS BIG RESPONSE

Generous Shipments Sent by Columbia Diocesan W.A. to Alert Bay and Coast Missions

The regular monthly meeting of the Diocesan Board was held at St. Barnabas Parish Hall on Friday afternoon, when gratifying reports of various officers were brought in. The response from the branches of the W.A. to the appeal for Christmas gifts was splendid, and six parcels have been sent to the Rev. Alan Greene for the Columbia Coast Mission, the schools at Alert Bay, and the Coast hospitals also getting their share. A letter of thanks for the case of jam was read to the meeting from the Cardross Industrial School, where the fruit was much appreciated. There have been also sixteen boxes of books and magazines sent to the Rev. Alan Greene at Quathiaski Cove, the secretary wishing to express her thanks for the varied and splendid collection donated for this purpose, to the many friends who have contributed.

The treasurer, Mrs. Nivin, recently returned from the Dominion annual meeting at Halifax, was welcomed by the Board, and reported very satisfactory returns for pledges and various funds, special mention being made of the junior branches' splendid support of their pledges. Rev. N. L. Ward was a welcome visitor to the meeting, and the rector of St. Barnabas, Rev. N. E. Smith, gave a very helpful and inspiring Advent address, and brought the meeting to a close with the benediction.

HALF MILLION CIVIL EMPLOYEES WORKLESS

German Retrenchment Policy May Result in Jobless Winter for Many Servants

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—Five hundred thousand employees of the civil service are facing a jobless Winter unless the Government succeeds in diverting them into other fields. The drastic retrenchment policy to which the government is pledged in connection with its expected reduction programme will presently affect twenty-five per cent of Germany's two million public servants in all government departments. The retrenchment is already proceeding at a lively rate, working staffs of the Federal Railways, which are Germany's most chronic deficit producers are being reduced, while the Federal postal, telegraph and telephone services also will be required to overhaul their working forces. The principle of the survival of the fittest is finding a general application in this weeding-out process.

SINGAPORE PROJECT

SYDNEY, N.S.W., Dec. 17.—Minister of Defence Bowden in a speech delivered Saturday said he hoped the British elections would not interfere with the establishment of a naval base at Singapore. Postponement of the proposed work, he said, probably would mean the reconstruction of the entire naval plans for the defence of Australia.

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CONSERVATIVES' RECEPTION

All Liberal-Conservatives are cordially invited to attend the reception to be given to the members of the Provincial Legislature on Wednesday, the 19th inst., at 8 p.m., at the rooms, Campbell Building, Douglas and Fort Streets.

The members of the social committee have been working energetically to make this a most enjoyable affair, and a large gathering is expected.

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"The citizens of Victoria made a great error when they failed to put into office Mr. J. L. Mara and myself," said Mr. J. A. "Five Points" Shanks last night. "Mr. Mara is an alert, progressive young business man, with particularly good family connections. While I, though a great deal older, still retain my energetic, optimistic perspective, which is usually a quality found only in youth. Men of our type and ambitions might do wonders for Victoria if we were placed in positions where our activities could radiate; if we were given the authority and confidence that the voice of the people indicate.

"Men of opposite views are not necessary to good government, but a variety of opinion and new angles of thought are absolutely essential. Our civic weakness lies in apathy and extremes. One candidate polled a good vote because many claimed he would be a strong opposition. That is not a desirable quality in municipal affairs, though it may be in the Legislature."

Victoria barbers know a good candidate when they see one, according to Mr. Shanks, and last night they elected him to be their president.

WANT STRAIGHT MAJORITY VOTE

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submitted the moderation plebiscite, which had carried by a large majority. While he, as one of the old school, believed it to be the duty of a government to formulate its own policies, yet, he realized, the plebiscite principle has been adopted in British Columbia, and to that extent the Conservative party would support the Attorney-General.

Mr. Manson Goes Too Far

Mr. Bowser believed Attorney-General Manson had gone too far in stating the city council of Vancouver had deliberately licensed clubs to illegally sell beer. There was nothing in the licences granted that permitted it. It was the responsibility of that city to enforce the law in the first place, then the Attorney-General should have stepped in. Mr. Bowser also objected to the Hon. Mr. Manson's statement that the latter proposed to charge up some $20,000 against Vancouver for his enforcement of the law there, to charge up for some of the work of his stool pigeons. The Attorney-General also went into other municipalities but there was no proposal to charge for that. He noted that last year some $200,000 was spent for secret service. Where was that enforcement made? Mr. Bowser asked, and he stated that he had traveled over the Province and had seen wet and dry spots, many of the former being in the North. He hoped the Attorney-General's control of the proposed clubs would be better than under his Club Licence and Companies Act. To give the Liquor Control Board right to grant licences would mean there was going to be a grand potlatch of patronage. He could see the Attorney-General, before the next election, going around, winking his eye and telling the boys just to wait until after the election.

For Local Industry

Mr. Bowser favored the provision for developing the local wine industry from local fruit products. The more encouragement given to people to drink such wines and cider the better for the individual.

The Opposition leader held the proposed system of a plebiscite was too complex, providing for the principle of zones when the plebiscite should apply to the entire Province. Under the bill a plebiscite could be granted even after the main plebiscite was defeated. On the eve of an election the electors could be promised plebiscites on any subject in which they might be interested.

"That is the joker in this Bill," declared Mr. Bowser, who held a plebiscite could be held in one polling division in Vancouver which might go for beer, while other divisions in the same city might remain dry, thereby creating an anomalous situation.

"We will treat Vancouver as a unit," interjected Hon. Mr. Manson, who held no government would go as far as the Opposition leader suggested.

Mr. Bowser held the Bill as drafted permitted such a step. One must depend on the Bill, and one knew enough of the government to know it would do anything for political gain.

Mr. J. B. Clearihue stated he had hitherto opposed the sale of beer by the glass, but now the question was before the House in an entirely different manner. He realized the difficulties of the Attorney-General in enforcing the present Act and it was the duty of the Legislature to aid him in every manner.

Mr. Thomas Uphill recalled the Attorney-General had told the House the present Act was unworkable. "I told you that in 1921," said the member, who held that one reason why the municipalities had not fully enforced the Act was because the bulk of the people did not favor the measure.

Mr. Pooley Finds Fault

Mr. Pooley stated that he had fault to find with only one or two clauses in the proposed bill, the chief one being that of allowing local option. He had come to the conclusion, he told the House, that the present Government would not be running things very much longer and for that reason he intended voting for the measure. Esquimalt's member stated his disapproval of the clause dealing with licensed premises.

"Let the Government sell beer through Government officials, whether it be at the table and by the glass, but let the Government retain control of the sales," Mr. Pooley advocated. He also favored a clause abolishing "treating."

Mr. Pooley deprecated the Attorney-General's remarks of the morning session that municipalities and police commissions had fallen down on the job. The department, he claimed, could have stepped in and cleared up the situation overnight, had it wanted to.

Esquimalt's member further stated his objection to surtax on liquors imported into the Province by persons who desired a special brand of liquor which is not on sale at Government stores. He cited an instance of a Victoria man who, within the past two weeks, had been charged no less than $312.48 for importing a dozen cases of whisky from Scotland. The Attorney-General had stated that the act was not designed for revenue purposes. If that were the case, claimed Mr. Pooley, it should not be compulsory for a private individual to be compelled to pay through the nose to such an extent.

Hon. Mr. Manson queried Mr. Pooley for more particulars and intimated that something was evidently wrong in making such charges. Government vendors being instructed to meet the wishes of particular patrons if at all possible.

Commends Attitude

Mr. J. Hinchliffe congratulated the Government on coming forward with a definite argument. It was important, he contended, to regulate the beer situation in British Columbia which, at the present time, was a disgrace.

Then again there was the danger of the return of the bar. It was entirely unnecessary, and he predicted grave consequences if such a situation came to pass, stated Mr. Hinchliffe, as he read an editorial from The Victoria Times.

Hon. Mr. Manson—The bar is eliminated and the editor of The Times should have acquainted himself with the real facts of the case before writing such an article.

Mr. J. W. deB. Farris, former Attorney-General, expressed the hope that the present Attorney-General would go further with his bill than had been the case in his regard. British Columbia was essentially a wet Province in so far as the last vote of the people is concerned. That being so, contended Mr. Farris, any issue at the present time was of a minor or subsidiary one. It was merely a question of how liquor with the least alchoholic potency, should be disposed of.

Mr. H. G. Perry, Liberal member for Fort George, advocated amendments to the act so that light wines could be sold.

Major R. J. Burde, M.C., Independent soldier member for Alberni, related the experiences of his consistency in recent years in seeing that better beer and beer by the glass be sold by the Government.

Opposition to the measure in its present stage was voiced by Mr. M. B. Jackson, K.C., Liberal member for the Islands, who stated his willingness to rely on the will of the people. He disagreed with Mr. Farris that British Columbia was a wet Province.

Islands' Member Critical

Mr. Jackson criticized the absence of any safeguarding clause which called for a licensed house to have thirty bedrooms as demanded in the old Bowser act.

Hon. Mr. Manson—I can assure my friend that these features will be looked into as long as I am Attorney-General.

Mr. Jackson—Accepting that statement, why not make conditions apply for a long time ahead. The act should have further safeguards and should include a control over the Liquor Control Board. Under the proposed act, it might be that the leading cities might be the Mecca of industrial workers from the outlying districts. It was an economic and a moral question, he averred.

The bill passed second reading without a division.

DR. MACLEAN HEARS HOSPITAL DELEGATES

A delegation from the hospitals of the Province waited upon Hon. Dr. MacLean, provincial secretary, yesterday. The object sought was to have the municipalities responsible for all patients entering a hospital from the municipality instead of assuming responsibility for its indigent patients only.

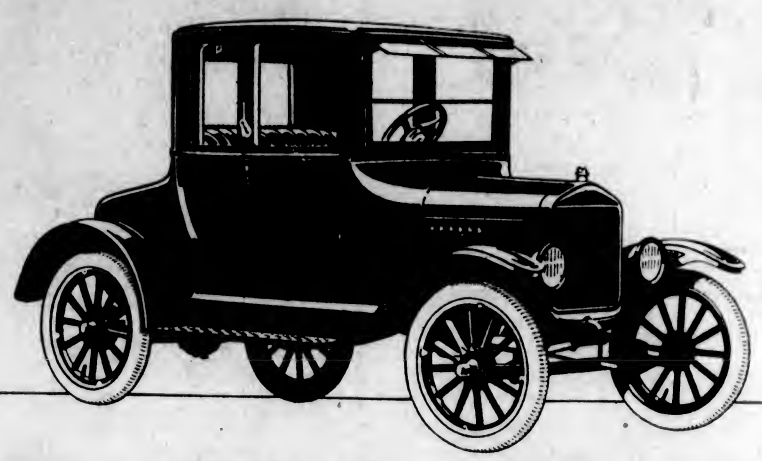
Dr. MacLean gave the information that he would not make the alteration.

Some of the slight amendments were considered.

Among those present on behalf of the hospitals were Mayor Owens, Mr. R. B. Burns, Mr. P. C. Gibbens, of Vancouver, and Mr. George McGregor, of the Jubilee Hospital.

Church Union Vote

ST. JOHN, N.B., Dec. 17.—The result of the vote on the question: "Are you in favor of the proposed church union?" taken in Knox Presbyterian Church here, was announced yesterday as 200 against union and twenty-four in favor. Of the 200 against, 172 are members and twenty-one adherents. Of the twenty-four in favor, twenty are members. The church has 250 communicants.



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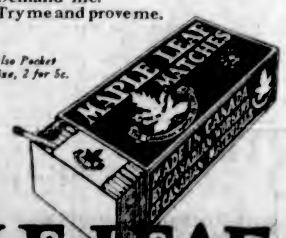

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GIVES FACTS OF CANOE INCIDENT

Craft Was Purchased With Eccles' Assistance to Be Used in Attempt to Catch Narcotic Traffickers

CHINAMAN "ADVANCED" THIS AND OTHER MONEY

Tells How One "Dope Runner" Succeeded in Getting Away With Drug From Mounted Police Agent

VANCOUVER, Dec. 17—The green canoe, which has figured in recent evidence presented before the Royal Commission in its inquiry into charges against the Royal Canadian Mounted Police narcotic squad, came into the picture again today.

J. A. Russell, K.C., representing the Department of Justice and defending Special Agent F. W. Eccles, one of the accused, after three and one-half hours of direct examination, suddenly launched his client into an explanation of the mystery which has enshrouded the "green canoe incident" on which a perjury charge against Eccles is based.

In the hour and a half of interrogation, the whole of the circumstances surrounding the green canoe incident were laid bare from the alleged purchase from Chester M. Pascoe to the alleged smuggling of narcotics from the Empress of Russia as the C.P.O.S. liner docked on the local waterfront in the month of October, 1921.

Purchase of Green Canoe

The outstanding features of Eccles' testimony were that a man whose first name is Ray, purchased the green canoe for the purpose of smuggling narcotics ashore with the view to making a seizure upon delivery; that an actual attempt was made to secure the narcotics during the early morning hours of October 11; that a verbal report was made to Sergeant Mundy, of the R.C.M.P., prior to the attempt, but minus all the details. That a rowboat, not the green canoe, was used to approach the Empress of Russia, and also that the permission of the customs department was not sought by the witness because he was of the opinion that some of the members of that department itself were engaged in smuggling ashore narcotics, from the liners entering port.

"Did you purchase a green canoe in your own name in 1921?" asked Mr. Russell, in commencing the avalanche of questions opening up the green canoe incident.

"No," replied Eccles.

"Do you know of the use of that canoe on the Vancouver waterfront after its purchase?"

"No, I do not. I don't know of any instance."

Canoe Was High and Dry

Eccles then went on to say that he had seen a statement two years ago to the effect that a green canoe had visited the Empress of Russia. He denied that the canoe in question was used, as it was high and dry upon a scow at that time, he said, and two days afterwards went into the repair shop.

In answer to questions by E. P. Davis, K.C., representing the Department of Justice, Eccles said the canoe was neither purchased by him or for him, and that the purchaser was a man whose first name was Ray. The witness would not divulge the man's last name, claiming that he had acted as an informer for him, and therefore it would be a breach of confidence. It could be given to the commissioner in confidence, however, he said.

Eccles then went on to explain the purchase of the green canoe and its relation to the Empress of Russia incident. He said that he had a "connection" on the boat and learned that there were narcotics to the value of between $40,000 and $50,000 aboard. A plan was arranged, he testified, in order to make a seizure of this shipment.

Details Proposed Plan

This plan, according to Eccles, took the following form. A buyer was to be located for the narcotics and negotiations to be established and concluded with the seller. Eccles, unknown to either of these parties as a police operative, was to ensure the safe transfer of the shipment ashore. In this he was to be assisted by the man whose first name was Ray, and a man named Sperring, an ex-customs guard. The latter was to bribe a customs officer named Quinlan. When the narcotics were safely ashore and the buyer and seller met Eccles and his party to close negotiations, Eccles was to reveal his identity and to arrest the men and seize the shipment. If the arrangement had come to a successful ending, the coup would have been complete.

The witness, in reply to questions, said that he made a verbal report to Sergeant Mundy, but did not give all the details as he was not sure that they would be as complete as planned. It later developed that Eccles had been "suspended" after an investigation of the matter at a later date, and the witness gave his opinion yesterday that he thought this was because he failed to divulge all the details of his scheme.

Bribe Was Paid

On the night of October 10, Eccles said that Quinlan was given a $200 bribe, and early the following morning, Ray and Sperring set out for the Empress in a rowboat. They returned shortly, however, stating that they had been scared off, according to the witness. Eccles said that an attempt was planned for the early morning of October 13.

The second attempt never came off, the witness said, a C.P.R. policeman casually informing him the previous night that the wharf was crowded with policemen, customs guards and others.

Witnesses for the prosecution stating that it was the morning of the 12th that the alleged green canoe visited the Empress of Russia, Eccles was questioned concerning the movements of Sperring early that morning. The witness said that he saw him off for home on the street car after midnight, the second attempt having been called off.

Advance From Chinaman

In reply to a series of questions asked by counsel and Commissioner Smith, witness said that the money for the alleged bribe was put up as an "advance" by the Chinaman who agreed to purchase the shipment. The money Eccles used in paying Pascoe in behalf of Ray also came from this source, he said. Eccles testified that a report was made on the occurrence and that the same scheme was tried at a later date with successful results.

The charges against the customs came up when Eccles said he didn't seek their permission because he was "skeptical" of them and had information which led him to believe that "they were actually smuggling."

The whole session was devoted to the taking of Eccles' testimony. The R.C.M.P. special agent denied all the charges listed against him from an alleged transaction with Harry and Fanny Jones, to the alleged payment of "hush money" in connection with raids upon opium joints and other narcotic dispensing places.

Morning Session

The manner in which a "dope runner" escaped with three packages of narcotics from the home of Harry Jones, longshoreman, who with his wife, Fanny Jones, was helping the Mounted Police as informer, was told to the Royal Commission inquiring into the activities of the secret service branch of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, by F. W. Eccles this morning.

According to the story of Eccles, who is Special Agent No. 23, the Jones couple agreed to assist him in his work of battling the trade in narcotics. Mrs. Jones, said the witness, had previously taken cocaine and other narcotics off ships, and it was agreed that she should take a cargo from the Empress of Russia in order that the big dealers to whom they were consigned might be arrested. Eccles followed her on board of the steamer. She brought off three packages of either morphine or cocaine.

Commissioner Smith—But she said eleven pounds.

Witness—That would not be possible. She said that she brought the stuff off in pockets of her skirt. Eleven pounds of morphine would fill a packing case four feet by three feet and four feet deep. Cocaine would fill a box half that size.

Eccles' Story

According to his story, Eccles was to go to the Jones house, and there meet a Chinaman named Lee Foo. He did so, and approached Lee Foo with a proposal that he work for the police. The Chinaman apparently agreed to do so. Eccles had two members of the mounted force in hiding to arrest any person taking a package away from Jones' home.

Head Man Gets Stuff

It was finally arranged that the head man in the narcotic trade was to come to Jones' home and get the stuff. He was to be followed and arrested. The reason that the arrest was not to be effected as soon as he left the premises was in deference to Mr. and Mrs. Jones, who did not want to become known as informers. The Chinaman told Eccles that the narcotics would be either taken to an address on Georgia Street, East Vancouver, or to a jewelry store on Columbia Avenue. He immediately telephoned to police headquarters, and had officers detailed to keep watch on these addresses.

Instead of coming on foot, as had been agreed, the dope dealer, or his agent, arrived in an automobile. Jones took the parcel and handed it to him in the car, which drove off before the police officers who were hiding could effect the arrest. The man did not turn up at either of the two addresses.

"I was new to the game then," explained Eccles. "Had I known as much then as now about the traffic, I would have handled the case differently, and would not have trusted the Jones family. It got away from us, through no fault of ours. The department in those days did not supply us with a car. If we required an automobile we had to be prepared to provide it for ourselves. We expected the man to come on foot, and had no means for chasing a car."

Secures Informer

As a result of the escape of the man with the three packages, Eccles next day went on board the Empress of Russia and secured Lee Foo, and induced him to become an informer. He was to write to Mrs. Jones, who was to pass the information on to Eccles, of the intended hiding places of narcotics on different boats leaving China, and give the identity of those in charge. Several letters containing information to this effect, signed by the Chinaman, were put in as exhibits, after their contents had been read into the notes.

The charge made by J. J. Wing that he had paid Eccles $300 to get a witness against him, Anderton, sent out of town, was dealt with. Eccles denied that he had ever received money from Wing for that or any other purpose, adding that he had only seen Wing once, and that was at the penitentiary when he had gone there to pay Wing money due him for information resulting in a seizure of narcotics on the steamship Achilles. Wing, said Eccles, had at that time told him to keep the money, as he would have no use for it.

A letter, addressed to F. W. Eccles, and dated October 14, and signed by Chow Chin, was produced. The letter was on penitentiary stationery, and, according to the evidence, the signature Chow Chin was an alias of J. J. Wing. The letter, which was written in excellent English, asked Eccles if he could pay "the $300 he owed" the writer, as his "capacity for earning was not such as to satisfy the wants of himself and his family."

The letter also stated that Wing had not approached Eccles for the money before because he had not required it.

Questioned about the letter, Eccles pointed out that the signature was in different writing from the text of the letter; that the letter was dated October 14, while the envelope was postmarked October 27; the writing on the envelope was different from either the other two styles, and his name, Eccles, was spelled correctly on the envelope.

The Anderton Incident

He said he did not know Anderton personally, and had never had any conversation with Wing regarding Anderton. He stated that he had information that the counsel for the prosecution had been to see Wing at the penitentiary during the time of the Victoria trial, and the opening of the commission. He had been accompanied by Wing's wife and brother. Eccles denied he knew anything of the occasion mentioned by Wing, when $2,000 was said to have been paid by Wing to two members of the R.C.M.P. at an East End shack.

He added that Lee Kim, who was said by Wing to have supplied the money for the purchase, had been in touch with the prosecution since the time of his, Eccles' arrest, and had disappeared since his name had appeared in the newspapers in connection with the inquiry.

Eccles also denied that he had told Mrs. Monk that her husband had been "framed," or that he would "have the whole force after her if she said anything to his superior officers about his visit to her home," which allegations were made by Mrs. Monk at a recent session of the inquiry.

Brewing Trouble

Fable: Once upon a time there was a married lady, who never liked to give advice to her husband as to how to drive their car.—Detroit Free Press.

It is yet entirely too early to presume a prediction that vertical antennae prevent static interference acceptable as fact. From the result attained by two men in California, who raised an antenna vertically by means of a kit, hope may be given to despondent Summer fans. Experts have been working hard to find a real way in which the annoyance of static might be eradicated. None genuine has yet been found. We will await further experiments with the vertical idea before tearing down the arcials now in use.

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Marine and Transportation

TEN LIVES LOST IN SHIPWRECK

Members of Crew of C. A. Smith Lose Lives When Attempting to Get Away From Wreck in Lifeboat After Steam Schooner Piles Up on Rocks at Coos Bay—Heroism Is Cause of Deaths in Effort to Save Crippled Operator

MARSHALL, Ore., Dec. 17.—Ten men were lost as a result of the wreck yesterday of the C. A. Smith, which went on the rocks inside the north jetty of Coos Bay, when she became disabled by being hit by breakers while attempting to leave the harbor. T. C. Prescott, of the tug Oregon, was washed away and drowned yesterday while engaged in the rescue work.

Seven men who remained with the wreck overnight were landed today when they launched a lifeboat and were taken aboard the tug Oregon.

Heroism on the part of the members of the crew of the C. A. Smith in their efforts to save A. Leland, crippled wireless operator, caused the loss of at least some of the men.

The men did not want to go until the wireless boy had been saved. Leland was only twenty years of age, and was the son of a college professor at Berkeley. He wore artificial feet and was therefore not able to take care of himself.

The survivors said today they all wanted to see the boy taken off. They intended to get a line around him and lower him to the coastguard lifeboat. Some realized that this would take some minutes and went back to their cabins to get some of their possessions. The efforts to save Leland caused the delay which prevented all of the men leaving with the coastguard.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 17.—Seven wen who clung last night to the wreck of the steam schooner C. A. Smith, which piled up on the north jetty of Coos Bay yesterday, put off in one of the ship's boats early today and were picked up by the tug Oregon. The men got away from the wreck while the lifesaving crew, in the steam schooner Cleope, was preparing to shoot a line aboard the C. A. Smith.

Seven men were rescued yesterday by the lifesaving crew. Ten men were lost yesterday when they attempted to leave the wreck in a lifeboat.

The C. A. Smith carried a crew of twenty-four.

ADMIRES JAPAN'S QUICK RECOVERY

NEW YORK BUSINESS MAN SURPRISED AT SUCCESS SO FAR

Empress of Russia Completes Stormy Passage From Yokohama—Two Passengers Die

That the depression in Japan following the recent earthquake disaster is beginning to give way to a condition seeming to be the forerunner of a return to normality in business, was the statement of Col. S. Reber, prominent business man of New York, made on board the Empress of Russia when the fast Canadian Railway liner docked at the Rithet piers yesterday, on completing her voyage from the Orient.

Col. Rogers pointed out that it would still take many months before Japan's export or import trade could assume the proportions obtaining before the earthquake occurred, but, he said, the people were accepting the conditions prevailing with a philosophic attitude, and bringing order out of chaos with a speed that really surprised him.

Insurance Troubles

The settlement of insurance claims was a source of much trouble to companies and government, he stated, although he thought that a compromise would soon be reached.

Mr. T. N. Fairbanks, vice-president of the American Trading Company of New York, and United States Consul at Tokio, corroborated the information about the rehabilitation of Japanese industries supplied by Col. Reber, Mr. Fairbanks is on a business trip. He said that his company plans to extend its scope in the Orient.

Dr. George Crofts, Swedish Consul at Tientsin, noted expert on Chinese antiques, who has an international reputation as an antiquarian, also arrived on board the Russia bound on a pleasure trip to the United States. From Tientsin, too, came Mr. and Mrs. C. Thorne. Mr. Thorne holds a post in the customs service there. They were met on their arrival by Mr. Y. Thorne, of Saanich, with whom they spent some little time before continuing their journey to California.

Two Deaths

En route to Victoria, two of the Japanese steerage passengers died of pneumonia, and a third was removed to hospital by ambulance after the Russia had docked.

Captain A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., reported an unusually stormy trip. His vessel carried 350 passengers. Silk goods to the value of $4,000,000 reposed in her holds for transhipment East from Vancouver. Oranges comprised another important part of her cargo. Fifty-six bags of mail were unloaded for distribution here, and eighteen for the aerial route to Seattle.

Miss Allen's TESTED RECIPES No. 41

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Shintsoku Maru, from Yokohama, Dec. 18.
Author, from Liverpool, Dec. 27.
R.M.S. Makura, from Sydney, Dec. 29.
Tokiwa Maru, from Yokohama, Dec. 31.
President Jackson, from Yokohama, Dec. 31.
Empress of Australia, from Yokohama, Jan. 2.
Achilles, from Yokohama, Jan. 9.
Colonial, from Liverpool, Jan. 30.
Arabia Maru, from Yokohama, Jan. 10.
Spectator, from Liverpool, Jan. 30.
Niagara, from Sydney, Feb. 2.

To Sail

Hawaii Maru, Dec. 22.
Koga Maru, for Japan, Dec. 27.
Hekata Maru, for Orient, Dec. 28.
Hambleton Range, for Japan, Dec. 28.
Empress of Russia, for Yokohama, Dec. 27.
President McKinley, for Orient, Dec. 28.
Shintsoku Maru, for Yokohama, Jan. 3.
Alabama Maru, for Yokohama, Jan. 3.
Empress of Australia, for Yokohama, Jan. 16.
Author, for Liverpool, Jan. 18.
Yokohama Maru, for Yokohama, Jan. 22.

SHIPPING INFORMATION

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

TACOMA, Dec. 17.—Arrived: Cardiganshire, Antwerp; Mary Horloch, Bellingham; Caracas, San Francisco. Sailed: Griffin, Dorothy Winternute, San Pedro.

SEATTLE, Dec. 17.—Arrived: J. A. Moffett, Richmond Trimountain, Curacao; Jacox, Floridian, San Francisco; Alabama Maru, Kobe; Bradcycle, Liverpool. Sailed: La Touche, Ketchikan; Jacox, Mary Horloch, Cardiganshire, Tacoma; Admiral Dewey, Admiral Sebree, San Francisco.

KETCHIKAN, Dec. 17.—Sailed: Alaska, Princess Mary, northbound.

PORTLAND, Dec. 17.—Arrived: Admiral Fiske, Peter Kerr, San Francisco; H. H. Asquith, Hong Kong; Kakkoh Maru, Kobe; Kentucklan, Puget Sound. Sailed: Charles H. Cramp, Captain A. F. Lucas, Rose City, San Francisco; London Shipper, Antwerp; motorship Indra, Puget Sound.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Arrived: Minaret, Baltimore; Sachem, Hamburg; Mahukona, Hilo; Harry Luckenbach, Seattle; Lebre, Seattle; F. A. Warner, Coos Bay; Cacique, New York. Sailed: Warwick, Seattle.

TIDES AT VICTORIA DECEMBER

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6 ..	2:49	7.1	6:30	3.9	19:17	3.8	20:04	3.9
7 ..	4:06	6.7	7:27	4.7	12:22	3.9	20:46	3.3
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The Time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish High Water from Low Water. Where blanks occur in the tables, the tide rises or falls continuously during two successive tide periods without turning.

The Height is in feet and tenths of a foot, above the average level of lower Low Water.

Esquimalt—To find the depth of water on the sill of the drydock at any tide, add 18.9 feet to the height of High Water as above given.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET DECEMBER, 1923.

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific Standard Time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1923.

	Sunrise	Sunset		Sunrise	Sunset
1	7:44	4:31	17	8:00	4:19
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4	7:49	4:30	20	8:02	4:20
5	7:49	4:30	21	8:03	4:20
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The Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

TRANSPACIFIC MAILS DECEMBER

China and Japan

President Grant—Mails close Dec. 6, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Dec. 16, Shanghai, Dec. 21, Hong Kong Dec. 78.

President Madison—Mails close Dec. 16, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Dec. 28, Shanghai Jan. 2, Hang Kang Jan. 5.

Africa Maru—Mails close Dec. 22, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Jan. 7.

Empress of Russia—Mails close Dec. 27, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe, Jan. 8, Shanghai Jan. 13, Hong Kong Jan. 16.

President McKinley—Mails close Dec. 29, 4 p.m. Due at Kobe Jan. 9, Shanghai Jan. 14, Hang Kong Jan. 19.

Protesilaus—Mails close Jan. 2, 2 a.m.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Mariners are hereby notified that repairs have been effected to the occulting mechanism at the Nootka lighistation, B.C., and that an occulting white light is again being shown from that station.—A. W. R. Wilby, Agent, Department of Marine.

Squabble Ends When Schooner Slips Off Rock

MONTEREY, Cal., Dec. 17.—The steam schooner, Flavel, wrecked on this coast Friday night, disappeared beneath the waves today. This ended the contest between the two landlubber concerns and the crew of the vessel to salvage the Flavel of her cargo of 1,000,000 feet of lumber from Aberdeen, Wash.

BAYLY HIPKINS NATIONAL FIGURE

Built Ships Here for French Government—Promoter of Big Industrial Projects Comes North

SEATTLE, Dec. 17.—Coming north to complete studies of Tacoma's proposed $10,000,000 Lake Cushman hydroelectric power project, with a view to submitting a proposal for the construction contract, Bayly Hipkins, owner of the Coast Construction Company of San Francisco and one of the foremost figures in Northwest shipbuilding during the war period, arrived in Seattle this week and is devoting several days to renewing old friendships.

As vice-president and general manager of the Foundation Company in the territory west of the Mississippi during the war period, Mr. Hipkins directed the construction of sixty-five auxiliary steam-powered wooden schooners in the Foundation yards in Tacoma, Portland and Victoria, B.C. The ships cost $40,000,000 and were built for the French Government. Mr. Hipkins built, completed and delivered the huge fleet in twenty-four months, one of the great war period records in American shipbuilding.

Mr. Hipkins not only had charge of the company's three big shipyards in the Northwest, but also headed all the other activities in the West, including the construction of bridges, dams, foundations for skyscrapers and the like. The company maintained offices in Seattle, Portland, Vancouver, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Phoenix, Ariz.

Big Projects

Mr. Hipkins left Seattle in July, 1920, going to San Francisco, where he incorporated the Coast Construction Company the following month. Construction contracts which he has handled since then include a $1,000,000 filtration plant for the city of Sacramento, Cal., a huge irrigation dam for the Eldorado Corporation of California and the trestle and approaches for a ferry slip for the Rodeo-Vallejo Ferry Company, later known as the Golden Gate Ferry Company, and now merged with other concerns into the American Toll Bridge Company of California. This company is now engaged in building a $4,500,000 bridge over Carquinez Straits, upper San Francisco Bay. All told, five such bridges are projected, said Mr. Hipkins today, to connect San Francisco with surrounding industrial and agricultural districts, the Carquinez Bridge being the first.

National Figure

The construction of the $40,000,000 fleet for the French Government in record time made Mr. Hipkins a national figure. In actual operation, the ships proved an unqualified success, according to the French Government's experts, and added greatly to the fame of the Northwest as a shipbuilding district.

VICKERS MAY BUILD ON THIS COAST

VANCOUVER, Dec. 17.—Local financial men and industrial promoters, who have interested themselves in trying to induce Vickers, Limited, to locate a plant here, were advised yesterday of the amalgamation of the International Combustion Engineering Corporation and Vickers, Limited.

A letter to local interests intimates that when the Barrow in Furness plant is completed, an investigation will be made of conditions here with a view to putting in a similar plant for operating on the Pacific Coast.

NOTICE TO MARINERS

Mariners are hereby notified that owing to a break in the electric cable the fog bell on Brotchie Lodge, Beacon Entrance to Victoria Harbor, B.C., is out of commission. Repairs will be effected as soon as possible.

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SCHOONER RIPS HARBOR WIRES

Four-Master, L. A. Merced, Cuts Cables at Bottom of Harbor as She Drags Anchor Through Channel at Johnson Street Bridge—Completes Fast Though Stormy Passage of Eight Days From San Francisco—To Load Lumber for Shanghai

"HEY there! Pull up that anchor," was the somewhat peremptory shout that welcomed Captain Harry Smith on the four-masted schooner L. A. Merced, approaching the Johnson Street Bridge yesterday morning, on her way to the dock of the Canadian Puget Sound Lumber Company, after a stormy passage of eight days from San Francisco.

"You'll cut the telegraph lines!" amplified the engineer in charge of the bridge from whom the shout had first issued.

But Captain Harry found it impossible to haul up his anchor in time, and thus, three perfectly good telegraph lines submerged on the bottom of the harbor at that point, the property of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway, were severed in twain, after having been installed anew only last Friday following a similar adventure in which the Skagway, also proceeding to the waters of the Upper Harbor for lumber, had played the role of villain.

"We blew three times for the bridge to open," said Captain Smith, yesterday. "The Merced was losing way and becoming unmanageable as a consequence of the delay. There was only one thing to do to keep the vessel from bumping something, and that was to let go the anchor. We didn't know there were any cables in the vicinity. The company ought to have great big signs hung up advertising the fact."

The railway officials were naturally somewhat displeased at the incident. They pointed out that the cut last week during Thursday's storm had occasioned them no little trouble and expense. As a result of the wind wires were down at various points along the line. When these had been repaired it was found to be impossible to get a message through, and only after a long series of tests which continued to the water's edge at the bridge, did they locate the severed cables, the result of the Skagway's passage, and the final cause of their inability to talk with up-Island points.

Captain Smith reported that he had encountered extremely dirty weather on the trip north, which, for a vessel of the Merced's type, was made in remarkably fast time notwithstanding.

King Brothers, agents for the schooner, stated yesterday that she will load 1,200,000 feet of lumber from local firms for Shanghai.

The L. A. Merced, a trim craft of 1,342 net tons, is powered with two 150 horsepower Diesel engines. She was built by John Robertson at Benicia, California, in 1917, for the Standard Oil Company.

ALICE IS DELAYED BY BOOM OF LOGS

Moorings Break and Huge Raft Swings Across Channel to Block Course of Seattle Boat

If Captain Ormiston, of the Princess Alice, had known what awaited him in the Outer harbor just beyond Laurel Point yesterday afternoon, last-minute passengers for the 4:30 boat need not have dashed madly down the gang-ways at the Canadian Pacific Railway docks leaving a litter of flowers and magazines to mark their path. For the Princess Alice would probably have remained at her berth until 5:30 o'clock.

When Captain Ormiston had backed his vessel out, as usual, on scheduled time, and turned her about, he found himself, on passing Pendray's soapworks, confronted with a large boom of logs lying straight across the channel, one end made fast to shore just inside of the Brackman-Ker Company's wharf, and the other stranded on Pelly Island, so that the whole of the course was blocked. There was insufficient fairway for a tugboat to pass.

As a consequence the Alice was hove-to for over an hour while crews of the tugs Spray, of the Victoria Tugboat Company, and Dorothy, of Gardiner's, strove to clear the passage. Eventually the crews of the two vessels were forced to saw their way through the middle of the boom, a most laborious business.

The moorings at one end of the boom which had been lying in the bay just opposite Cholberg yards, gave away at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Gradually the action of wind and tide carried the logs out from shore until the far extremity grounded on Pelly Island and with the dropping of the waters was held there. The boom belonged to the Carter Shingle Mill.

BRITISH MONARCH GOES TO NANOOSE

Anchors in Royal Roads Prior to Proceeding to Nanoose Bay—Alabama Maru in From Orient

The ship British Monarch from Glasgow anchored in the Royal Roads yesterday at 8 o'clock in the morning, and reported to King Brothers, her agents here. Later, after taking aboard a pilot, she proceeded on her way to Nanoose Bay to load lumber for Japan. Captain G. M. Anderson, described along the local waterfront as "jovial and happy," was in command.

Alabama In

The Alabama Maru, of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha Line, which arrived at the Rithet Consolidated piers yesterday morning, although recently converted into an oil-burning vessel, used coal instead of oil on her voyage from across the Pacific, it was learned from Captain Fuchigama when the ship had berthed. Oil is too expensive in Japan at present, the captain said. She will burn oil, however, on the return trip to the Orient.

The Alabama carried only about fifty tons of freight for discharge here. The bulk of her cargo was destined for Seattle. She will unload chiefly silk and oranges here.

ECHO OF BEATRICE-CAMOSUN COLLISION

That the collision between the Princess Beatrice and the Camosun took place on a clear night in safe waters and because of a misunderstanding on the part of the captains is the gist of the reasons for judgment in the Admiralty hearing of the case handed down by Mr. Justice Martin in the Exchequer Court yesterday.

The chain which invariably drags along on the ground from the frame of the automobile gasoline tank wagon is a safety device and not an oversight of the driver's. Through vibration and friction static electricity is generated in the tank wagon, and unless this is carried off and grounded a spark is likely to discharge across a gap of gas vapor and blow the truck to pieces.

RUM RUNNERS SAY THEY ONLY WANTED WATER; LOCKED UP

NEW YORK, Dec. 17—Hendrik J. Karns, Captain J. Goyens, super-cargo, and seven sailors of the Dutch auxiliary schooner Zeehond, seized by coast guards on December 7, outside the three-mile limit off Fire Island Inlet, today were held in high bail on indictments charging bootlegging in American territorial waters. The defendants denied the charge, declaring they were bound from Antwerp to Halifax, and were forced to put into the United States for necessary repairs and fresh drinking water.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY TO ARRIVE TONIGHT

Admiral Oriental Liner Inbound From Orient—R.M.S. Narenta May Go Direct to Vancouver

The Admiral Oriental liner President McKinley reported by wireless yesterday that she would reach quarantine from the Orient at 9 o'clock tonight.

The R.M.S. Narenta, which was due to arrive here on Sunday, had not put in an appearance up to a late hour last night, and it was suggested at the local office that she might proceed to Vancouver first to discharge cargo, and return later to Victoria. Included in her shipments for this port is a consignment of 3,000 cases of light wines. Several hundred cases of Burgundy are also represented in her holds, besides liquor of various sorts.

On her outward trip the Narenta will take aboard a test shipment of apples grown in Vancouver Island orchards. The ship is specially fitted with refrigerating facilities and will carry a large consignment of Okanagan fruit also on the return voyage to the United Kingdom.

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The Colonist's Pictorial Page

These German women are waiting under a misleading "butter and cheese" sign for a bit of margarine. Note those at the end of the line watching through the window, in great anxiety lest the supply be sold before their turn comes

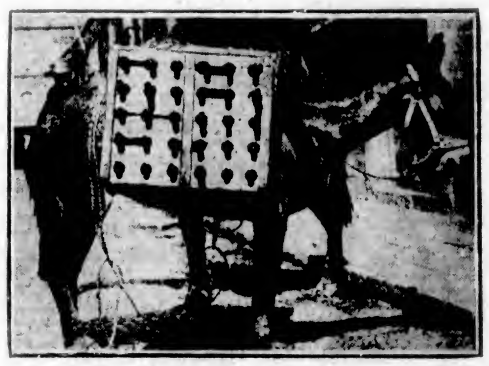
Benito Mussolini, now Italy's dictator, is shown wearing his uniform as an obscure volunteer in the Italian army at the declaration of war in 1916, when his military laurels were yet to be won

Here is a motorcycle, designed by an Italian, for use on land or water. The apparatus is equipped with pontoons which keep it afloat and with a rudder which is operated by the handlebars

And every place that Polly went her bear was sure to go—Miss Polly Card of a theatrical group takes her pet bear "Schnitza" for a stoll along one of Washington's avenues. Needless to say, both are the talk of the town

Photograph shows the recent arrival of the Spanish sovereigns in Rome. Seated in the carriage are Queen Helene, Queen Victoria and Crown Prince Humbert

Norma Niblock, a fifteen-year-old Toronto girl, was crowned the Queen of Beauty among eighty-eight contestants, representing cities in the United States and Canada, at a competition in New York recently

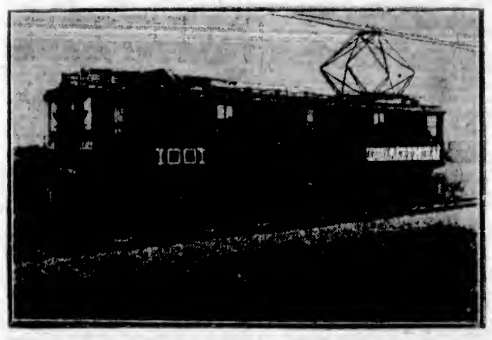


Will you have a burro load of beer to-day? Many of the streets of La Paz, Bolivia, are so hilly and tortuous that merchandise must be delivered by pack mule — a sizable quantity even where O.T.A isn't known

At a warehouse in New York, where liquors and beers are taken to be analyzed to determine the poison that is sold as real liquor, all but the two bottles held in the chemist's hands were found to be moonshine

This model feature is one of the latest for milady's dancing gowns. It is made of brocade with a wide border and belt of crepe. Narrow bands of silk act as shoulder straps

What next? Fingernails of celluloid, bearing miniature portraits, jazz designs, etc., specially designed for dancers, are the latest Parisian craze



This is one of the ten most powerful locomotives in the world built for use in Mexico. It is designed to haul freight trains up grades as great as 4.7 per cent. or twice the percentage of any grade on the Canadian roads

A police dog, one of the official staff of the Scottish Rite Hospital for crippled children in Atlanta, teases a stray cat, while one of the small patients sees that no blood is spilled in the fray. Genevieve appears to be holding her own

Lieuts. F. O. Rogers and H. D. Palmer have completed a flight of 10,953 miles, the second longest in the history of aviation. They flew from the Island of Haiti to Washington, to San Francisco, and then back to Washington and Haiti

This is the first photograph of Mrs. Enrico Caruso, widow of the famed tenor, with her British husband, to whom she was recently married. The ceremony took place in London

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

BIRTHS

TAYLOR—At Mrs. Bass' Nursing Home, 2523 Prior Street, on the 17th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Taylor, 456 Ferry Street, a daughter.

DEATHS

ROSS—On Friday, December 14, at the family residence, 406 Chester Avenue, Charles Lisle Ross, aged 71 years; born in Belleville, Ontario, and a resident of this city for the past 23 years. The late Mr. Ross is survived by, besides his widow, four sons and three daughters, of this city; also a brother, Mr. H. Ross, of Saskatchewan. He was for many years an employee of the C.P.R.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday, December 19, at 1:30 o'clock, from the Sands Funeral Chapel, and the remains will be laid to rest at Royal Oak Burial Park.

McLACHLAN—On Saturday, December 15, at the family residence, 1141 Caledonia Avenue, after a lingering illness extending over several years, Mrs. Elizabeth McLachlan, aged 66 years; born in Kenzie McLachlan, aged 66 years; born in Lenark, Ontario, and a resident of this city for the past 27 years. The deceased is survived by, besides her husband, Mr. A. D. McLachlan, two sons, Mr. C. H. McLachlan, of this city, and Mr. M. M. McLachlan, of Prince Rupert; one daughter, Mrs. A. M. Duncan, of this city, and three brothers, Mr. J. H. Craig, Victoria; Mr. R. H. Craig and Mr. P. S. Craig, of Lanark, Ontario; Mr. A. M. Craig, of Baltimore, Md., and Mr. S. H. Craig, of Vancouver, B.C.; also five grandchildren. She was for many years an active member of the First Presbyterian Church.

The funeral will take place on Tuesday, December 18, at 2 o'clock, from the Sands Funeral Chapel, Rev. W. G. Wilson will officiate and interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hall, also Mrs. Elize Hall, wish to thank their many friends for their beautiful floral offerings and kind words of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS 1

A MEETING of the Next-of-Kin Association will be held at Mrs. Wicks', P. R. Brown Block, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 18. Important business.

A MILITARY 500 and Dance, Tuesday, 18th, Harmony Hall. 10 free tombolas, turkeys, chickens, etc.; other good prizes. 8 p.m. Admission 25c.

A.O.U.W., WESTERN Star Lodge, dance at Temple's Hall, New Year's Eve, 9 to 1. Admission 50c. Refreshments.

AFTERNOON court whist drive, afternoon tea and sale of work, Tuesday, 2.30, 1750 Government Street. Royal Asylum W.B.A. Good prizes.

C.P.R. CLUB, military 500, Empress Hotel, Thursday, 20th December, 8.30 prompt. Prizes, local turkeys. Admission 50c.

DON'T forget, military 500 and dance, Caledonia Hall, tonight (Tuesday, Dec. 18). Extra value in the 14 strip prizes; 3 large geese; free tombola. 25; 8.30.

MILITARY 500 and dance, Conservative rooms, Campbell Building, Thursday, December 20, 8.30. 11 strip prizes. 5 turkeys to be given away as free tombola. Mrs. Gleason's orchestra. All for 50c.

MRS. WINCH has removed from Pandora Ave. to Quadra Apartments, Suite 6, corner Fort and Quadra. Phone 7374L.

MASQUERADE dance, Strawberry Vale Hall, Thursday, Dec. 20, 8-12.30. Drags optional. Free bus leaves corner Johnson and Douglas 8.30. Kinloch's 4-piece orchestra.

REGULAR meeting of the Knights and Dames of the Thistle will be held in Foresters' Hall, Broad Street, on Tuesday, December 18th, 1923. After a short session there will be a dance for members and friends. Charge, 25 cents.

THE Victoria Quilting Club will hold a Scotch dance in Orange Hall on Dec. 21st. Gentlemen 50c, ladies 25c. Good music.

THE Scottish Daughters will hold a dance at the Rex Theatre, Esquimalt, Friday, December 21, 8-12 p.m. Ladies 25c, gentlemen 50c. Refreshments served. Findler's orchestra.

THE St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society is holding a "Hogmanay Dance" on New Year's Eve, in the K. of P. Hall 8.30 to 15:50. Tickets 50c.

ANNOUNCEMENTS 1 (Continued)

500 PEOPLE to attend silver tea, Wed., 3 to 5, Harmony Hall. Entertainment. Mrs. J. Brown, Mrs. Ferguson and others.

WANTED—MALE HELP 3

A GOOD bright boy, living in district, is wanted to deliver Colonist route around Deep Cove. Must have bicycle. Write at once to Colonist Circulation Manager.

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SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE 9

EXPERIENCED truck driver or private chauffeur seeks employment; careful driver. Box 2606, Colonist.

WANTED—Work land clearing. Apply Dawes, Beaver Road, Royal Oak.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE 5

A YOUNG Englishwoman desires position as housekeeper or companion-help, in or around Duncan, in modern home; references. Apply Box 6726, Colonist.

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FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS 13

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS 14 (Continued)

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ROOM AND BOARD WANTED 19

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$2800 — COMPLETELY FURNISHED 5-R. BUNGALOW; gas for cooking; only 10 minutes' walk from Fairfield. This is an extra well built and warm house. Taxes are low. Ready to move into.

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$3000—HIGHEST PART OF CITY—5-R. BUNGALOW. Especially fine large bungalow and half acre garden and oak trees. Very large reception-rooms. In fact all of the rooms are above the usual size. Wired for electric cooking. Large house and garage. An exceptional bargain at the price.
G. C. HOWELL
138 Pemberton Bldg. Phone 7336

HEISTERMAN, FORMAN & CO.
603 View Street Phone 86

HOMES ON EASY TERMS

$1350—BUNGALOW of five rooms, bathroom with modern plumbing, basement; good lot; walking distance from town. A good opportunity to get a cheap home on easy terms. Small cash payment, balance monthly.

$1250 ern conveniences, plumbing, etc.; two bedrooms, living-room, kitchen and pantry. $250 cash, balance as easy monthly payments.

$2650—A FIVE-ROOMED bungalow, well planned and convenient, open fireplace, built-in buffet, good sized living-room; up-to-date plumbing. A really nice place. Priced about $1,000 below value. $300 cash, balance $25 per month, interest at 6½ per cent.

$600—HIGH PART of Quadra Street.—5-room house, on one lot, 3-roomed shack, good small barn and loft; city water and light on street. Property is situated just outside city limits.

R. V. WINCH & CO., LTD.

$8000—FRUIT AND CHICKEN RANCH of 13 acres, only six miles from the city. Cosy bungalow, consisting of 6 rooms, sitting-room, three bedrooms, large kitchen. Also small two-roomed house, new barn, poultry houses, small fruits, logan and strawberries, young orchard under extensive cultivation, splendid soil. Stream at eastern boundary. Can reach Victoria in fifteen minutes by motor. All buildings are new, and water laid on. Ideal situation, with view of Esquimalt Harbor.
For further particulars
Apply
R. V. WINCH & CO.
Winch Bldg. 910 Fort St.

$5250—BRAND new 4-room bungalow, all built-in features, hardwood floors, hot water heating, fireplaces in living-room and dining-room. This is one of the best built bungalows and is situated in the best part of Oak Bay. R. B. Pmagrath, Pemberton Block. Phone 2621.

$2800 WILL purchase the prettiest 4-roomed CALIFORNIA BUNGALOW ever offered in Victoria. 1 block from sea, 2 blocks from car. Entrance hall, spacious, bright living and dining-rooms with fireplace and built-in features; large kitchen with cupboards, bins, etc., three large bedrooms with clothes cupboards; bathroom is white enamel. Cement basement with furnace. Small cash payment, balance on easy terms. Listing No. 9913. The Griffith Co., Ltd., 131-9 Hibben-Bone Bldg. Phone 1492.

BRENTWOOD PROPERTIES
SPECIAL
6-ROOMED cottage, close to waterfront; lot 90x119, lactodes boathouse. Price $850 cash, or $880 on terms.
1¼ ACRES, FENCED
5-ROOMED cottage, with large barn, close in Brentwood Bay; first-class soil; good well. Immediate possession. Price (terms to arrange), $3,200.
H. G. DALBY & CO.
634 View Opp. Spencer's

OAK BAY BUNGALOW

$4200—NEW and modern 5-room bungalow (stucco), front hall, spacious living-room with large open fireplace, built-in bookcases, French doors, panelled dining-room, built-in buffet, plate-glass windows, hardwood floors; Dutch kitchen with every convenience; 3 good bedrooms with closets; bathroom and cement basement. Lot 60x163. More land if desired.
THE CITY BROKERAGE A. T. Abbey, Mgr.
928 View Street Phone 876

$1050—N. QUADRA District—4-room modern cottage, hot and cold water, very large lot, with several good chicken houses, some furniture; high location. Terms.

$1800—4-ROOM cottage, open fireplace, nicely decorated and painted; stands on ½ acre land, excellent soil, on the 3-mile circle, close to car and school. The cottage is fully furnished and has an electric range. Immediate possession. Terms.
E. E. HEATH
936 Yates St. Phone 876

HOUSES FOR SALE 39 (Continued)

BRETT & KER, LTD.
633 Fort Street Phone 135
Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents

COST $12,000—OFFERED FOR $3,000
WELL CONSTRUCTED and of imposing appearance, situated on double lot in high part of Fairfield, near the park and beach; 8 rooms, with hot water heating system, consisting of large reception hall, double living-room with inglenook, fireplace; beamed and panelled dining-room with buffet and fireplace; pantry, kitchen and conservatory on first floor; front and rear stairway to large landing; four splendid bedrooms, one with double closets and one with open porch; bathroom and toilet separate (upstairs). There is also a stairway to the attic, with accommodation room for servants' quarters. Full concrete basement with second toilet and wash trays.
Terms can be arranged.

FOR Rent—7 rooms, hardwood floors, furnace, garage, near golf links, $30; 3 rooms, St. Charles St., hot water heating, splendid grounds, $20.

J. B. LIVSEY
(Successor to Grant & Lisgham, Ltd.)

$2100—MODERN BUNGALOW of five rooms and basement; bath, electric light, city water; half-acre of good garden; garage; fine high location, close to city, and adjoining interurban station. Easy terms arranged.

$2600 FOR A FINE SIX-ROOM HOME in residential section of Central Park; has built-in features, cement basement and garage; furnace heating; well constructed throughout and is the biggest snap in the market today.

$3000—ATTRACTIVE FULLY MODERN FIVE-ROOM BUNGALOW, in high part of city. Large, bright and cosy rooms, beam ceilings, built-in features, open fire, furnace, garage; half-acre of ground, with lots of oaks. Very fine view over city and Straits.

Phone 464 Office, 1009 Douglas

WANTED TO BUY—HOUSES 40

HAVE CASH to invest in Victoria house property. Send full particulars to G. C. Howell, 138 Pemberton Bldg. Phone 7336.

ACREAGE FOR SALE 43

PEMBERTON & SON
Pemberton Bldg. Phone 288

A Good Producer and a Gentleman's Home

30 ACRES, with about 16 under cultivation; balance is partly cleared, suitable for pasture. About 60 assorted fruit trees, small fruits of all kinds. A house of 7 rooms, with all modern conveniences; a small house for help; barn for 3 head, poultry houses, garage and other outbuildings. Ample water supply for domestic use and irrigation. Excellent fishing and shooting. This property is nicely situated, and will bear close inspection. The price includes a cabin on Cowichan Bay. Owner is in England, and is open to consider any reasonable offer. Photos at our office.

WATERFRONTAGE
22 ACRES, all good land, about 12 in full bearing orchard, best market varieties. Trees are all in excellent condition. One acre of strawberries, bearing. The balance of the land is in pasture. A dwelling of seven rooms, with all modern conveniences; packing house, barn, poultry houses; also small house for help. Beautiful home garden and many rare ornamental shrubs. This is one of the best producers on the island, and a very pleasant place to live. Photos and other information at our office.
PEMBERTON & SON
Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents
620 Fort Street Victoria, B.C.

ACREAGE, with 5 large greenhouses and residence, near Victoria. Box 9931, Colonist.

ACREAGE BARGAIN, on main road, ten miles out; city water and electric light; close to school and station; eighteen acres of choice land, all cultivated. Four-room bungalow, barn for ten head of stock, chicken houses and buildings are in good well constructed. Price $6,250, on terms to responsible party.
J. GREENWOOD
1336 Government Street

BY THE SEA—MODERN 6-R. RESIDENCE AND 8 ACRES fine arable land. Barns and outbuildings. Everything in first-class order. House stands in grove of very fine oaks. A splendid country home. Price $9,500.

COUNTRY HOME—5-R. BUNGALOW. CITY WATER, bath, etc., chicken houses and about 1 acre fine garden. $2,000.

ALMOST 20 ACRES FINEST TIMBER land, near station and on good motor road. Snap price, $750.
G. C. HOWELL
138 Pemberton Bldg. Phone 7336

ELK LAKE SUBURBAN HOME AND FRUIT FARM

FOR Sale or Trade, being southeast corner East Saanich and Cordova Bay Roads. One of the prettiest farms in Saanich. 5 intensively cultivated acres, facing west, overlooking lake. 1 acre logans, ½ acre raspberries, 100 heavily bearing fruit trees; grounds in alla-alla, garden produce, shrubbery, flowers; 1 acre good chicken runs and houses. Garage. Almost new 4-room bungalow, new 3-piece bathroom, running water in home and over grounds. Water pumped from lake by gasoline. Clear title; immediate possession. Will sell or trade for Victoria home at very low price.

SEASIDE HOME, bordering on sloping shingly beach. About 2 acres of ground in neatly-groomed and well-kept order. Lawns, tennis court, beautiful flower beds, orchard. Modern 7-room semi-bungalow, with phone, electric light, excellent water supply

FINANCE - COMMERCE - MARKETS

LEGISLATIVE FEARS DISTURB RAIL SHARES

Fear of Congressional Interference and Further Dividend Cuts Set Stocks Back

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Trading in listed bonds on the New York Stock Exchange today was listless with a general shading of prices. The market for new issues, however, was active both in point of placing the bonds and decisions of forthcoming new financing.

Improvement in the oil industry has caused a cancellation of plans by the Pure Oil Company to negotiate a new bond issue.

There was some activity in secondary railroad mortgages. St. Paul refunding 4½'s off 2 points, touched a new low price for the year. Some of the American Government Liberty Bonds recorded moderate improvement.

Weakness in Rails

Weakness of the railroad shares, based on speculative fear of unfavorable legislation or further dividend cuts by some of the Northwestern railroads, caused some unsettlement among Standard Industrials in today's active stock market, but failed to halt bullish operations in the oils and certain specialties.

There was a good sized accommodation of week-end buying orders at the opening.

Speculators for the decline launched an attack on the rail shares, concentrating on Union Pacific, which was forced down more than three points to 125½, although it rallied later to 127.

Strength in Specialties

Independent strength was shown by a number of specialties. Revival of a demand for oil shares was based on a report of a further reduction in output by the fields in the Los Angeles basin. Standard Oil of California led the advance with a gain of 2¼ points.

Call money opened at 4½ and then dropped to 4½. The time and commercial paper markets were dull with no change in rates.

Foreign exchanges were quiet with fractional recessions being recorded by most of the principal currencies. Demand sterling sold around $4.37¼ and French francs around 5.24c.

(Furnished by Burdick Brothers, Ltd.)
All Fractions in Eighths

	High	Low	Close
Ajax Rubber	6-4	5-8	1
Allis Chalmers	44	44	44
Allied Chem.	70-4	69-4	70-2
Am. Beet Sugar	49-4	42	42
Am. Bosch Mag.	38-4	36-4	36-4
Am. Can.	107-5	103-7	106-7
Am. Car & Fdy.	167-2	167-2	167-2
Am. Intl. Corp.	24-5	23-5	23-5
Am. Linseed	17-3	17-3	17-3
Am. Locomotive	72	72	72
Am. Ship & Comm.	11-7	11-7	11-7
Am. Smelters	58-1	57-5	57-5
Am. Steel Fdy.	37-5	37-4	37-5
Am. Sugar	58-1	57-4	57-5
Am. Sum. Tob.	10-7	10-7	10-7
Am. Tel. & Tel.	127-2	127	127
Am. Woolens	72-7	71	71-6
Anaconda	37-7	37-6	37-7
Atlantic Gulf	18	18	15
Archison	97-1	96-5	96-5
Baldwin Loco	127-1	123-3	124
Baltimore & Ohio	53-1	51-1	52-2
Bethlehem Steel	53-4	52-1	52-3
California Packing	62	61-2	61-4
California Pete	25-4	25-1	25-2
Canadian Pacific	146	146-4	146-5
Cast Iron Pipe	65	62-5	62-4
Cerro de Pasco	46-5	45-7	46
Central Leather	11-3	10-5	11-2
Chandler	68-6	64-2	64-7
Chesapeake & Ohio	71-1	70-2	70-4
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	13	11-7	12-5
Chic., Mil. & St. P. pfd.	22-7	21-5	22-5
Chic. & Northwest	61-1	60-5	61-1
Chic., R.I. & Pac.	25-4	22-1	22-5
Chile Copper	27-6	27-6	27-6
Chino Copper	17-3	17-2	17-2
Coco Cola	75	75	75
Columbia Gas	39-7	38-7	39-7
Cons. Gas	58	57-4	58
Cont. Can.	62-1	60-5	62-2
Corn Products	157-1	153-4	156-7
Cowden Oil	36-3	35-3	36-7
Cuba C. Sugar	14-5	14-5	14-5
Cuba C. Sugar pfd.	59-4	58-5	59-5
Crucible Steel	66-4	65-7	66
Davison Chem.	79-4	78-4	79-4
Del., Lack & West	115-4	113-4	115-4
Dupont Powder	130-4	125	128-5
Elec. Stor. Bat.	60-5	60-5	60-5
Endicott Johnson	68-3	68	68-3
Erie	20-6	20-4	20-4
Erie 1st pfd.	28-5	28-5	28-5
Famous Players	68-3	67-4	67-4
General Asphalt	38	36-6	37-2
General Electric	197-3	196	196
General Motors	15-1	14-7	14-7
Goodrich Rubber	22-3	22-3	22-3
Granby	15-3	15-3	15-3
Great Northern Ore	28-3	28-6	28-6
Great Northern pfd.	57-6	56-3	56-3
Gulf States Steel	81-5	81	81-4
Houston Oil	71-4	69	70
Hupp Motor	17-5	17-3	17-5
Illinois Central	108	108	108
Inspiration	26	26	26
Intl. Comb. Eng.	38-7	38-4	38-4
Intl. Mer. Mar. pfd.	30-1	29-3	29-4
Intl. Nickel	14-4	13-7	14-3
Intl. Paper	38	36-4	36-3
Invincible Oil	14-2	13	14-2
Julius Kayser	38-8	38-8	38-8
Kan. City Southern	18-5	18-3	18-3
Kennicott Copper	34-7	34-5	34-6
Kelly Springfield	32-8	32-3	32-3
Keystone Tire	3	2-7	2-7
Kresge	200	200	200
Lehigh Valley	68-4	68-3	68-3
Lima	66-5	66	66-1
Louis & Nash	89	89	89
Mack Truck	91-5	89	89-6
Maryland Oil	37-5	36-4	36-6
Maxwell "A"	48-6	45	45
Maxwell "B"	13-2	12-2	12-5
May Dept. Stores	84-7	84-7	84-7
Mex. Seaboard	18	15-4	15-5
Miami	22	22	22
Middlestates Oil	7-4	7	7-3
Midvale Steel	28-4	28-4	28-4
Miss. Pacific	9-7	9-6	9-6
Miss. Pac. pfd	28-5	28-4	28-5
Montgomery Ward	28-1	24-6	25-7
Moon Motor	26-7	26-5	26-5
National Enamel	43-3	43-3	43-3
National Lead	127-3	126	127
Nevada Cons.	13	13	13
Norfolk & West	103-1	103-1	103-1
North American	52-4	52-3	52-4
Northern Pacific	53-4	52	52-4
N.Y. Central	105-4	104-4	104-4
N.Y., N.H. & Hart	14-3	13-3	13-3
N.Y., Ont. & West	16-4	16-4	16-4
Packard Motor	15-7	15-3	15-4
Pacific Oil	48	48-7	47-6
Pan American	64-3	63-4	63-5
Pan American "B"	61-7	61	61-1
Pennsylvania R.R.	47	41-7	41-7
People's Gas	65-6	65-4	65-4
Pere Marquette	40-4	40-4	40-4
Phillips Pete	38-3	38-5	38-5
Pierce Arrow	9-7	9-7	9-7
Pittsburgh Coal	60-4	60-4	60-4
Prod. & Ref.	30-3	29-3	29-5
Pullman Co.	133	132	132-4
Punta Allegre	55-3	53-4	55-4
Pure Oil	21-3	20-3	21-3
Rail. Steel Spring	107-1	107-1	107-1
Rar Cons	11-4	11-4	11-4
Reading	77-7	77	77-5
Rep. Iron & Steel	50	49-3	49-4
Reposada Tob. "B"	74-3	73-4	74-3
Royal Dutch	49-3	45	49
Shell Union	15-3	15-7	15-2
Sinclair Cons.	26-5	26	26-3
Skelly Oil	37	36-4	37
Sloss Sheffield	60-1	60	60-1
Southern Pacific	87-5	86-4	86-4
Southern Railway	67-3	67	67
Standard Oil, Cal.	61-3	60-3	61-2
Standard Oil, N.J.	37-4	37	37-2
Standard Oil, Ind.	44-3	43-3	44-1
Stewart Warner	99-3	98-5	99-3
Stromberg Carb.	81-4	81	81
Studebaker	106-6	106	106-3
Tennessee Copper	9-3	9-3	9-3
Texas Co.	43-1	42-4	43-4
Texas Gulf Sulphur	61-4	59-4	59-4
Texas Pac. R.R.	19-6	19-3	19-3
Tex. Pac. C. & O.	19-4	11-7	11-7
Timken Roller	39-1	38-7	39
Tobacco Prod.	78	78-4	78-5
Tob. Prod. "A"	98	95	95
Trans. Oil	3-5	3	3-5
Union Pacific	126	125-4	127
United Fruit	141	141	141
U.S. Ind. Alco.	67-1	66-4	66-5
U.S. Rubber	38-4	38	38
U. S. Steel	96	95-4	95-4
U. S. Smelting	31-3	31	31
Utah Copper	44-1	44-1	44-1
Vanadium	42-3	41	41-1
Wabash	34-4	34-2	34-4
Western Union	119	118-3	118-3
Westing. Elec.	41-5	41	41-2
White Motor	57-3	56-4	57-3
Willys-Overland	10-6	10-1	10-2
Willys-Overland pfd.	76-7	76	75-6
Woolworth	277-4	277-4	277-4

NEW YORK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Foreign exchanges easy. Quotations, in cents:
Great Britain—Demand, 437¼; cables, 437⅝; 60-day bills on banks, 433.
France—Demand, 5.23⅝; cables, 5.24.
Italy—Demand, 4.33¼; cables, 4.34.
Belgium—Demand, 4.68⅝; cables, 4.69.
Germany — Demand, .000000000023; cables, .000000000025.
Holland—Demand, 38.97; cables, 38.12.
Norway—Demand, 18.08.
Sweden—Demand, 26.38.
Denmark—Demand, 17.64.
Switzerland—Demand, 17.43.
Spain—Demand, 13.64.
Greece—Demand, 1.68.
Poland—Demand, .000086.
Czecho-Slovakia—Demand, 2.93.
Jugo-Slavia—Demand, 1.14.
Austria—Demand, .0014.
Roumania—Demand, 51⅝.
Argentina—Demand, 33.37.
Brazil—Demand, 9.85.
Montreal, 97 17-32.

NEW YORK CURB

(Furnished by Burdick Brothers, Ltd.)
2 O'CLOCK LIST

Industrials	Bid	Asked
Arma Coal	1⅛	1⅛
Centrifugal	31	31½
Checker Cab	36	40
Durant Del.	25¼	26½
Mesabi	1¼	1⅝
Stutz	9¾	10
Radio	4¾	4⅝
Reo	16⅝	17
Tob. Prod. Ex.	4¾	4⅞
Un. Profit Shar.	7	8
Un. Retail Candy	5⅛	5¼
Utilee Svc., com.	148	148½
Utilee Svc., pfd.	67½	67¾
Utilee Svc., Bkra.	14⅝	15¼
Oils		
Carib.	4¼	4½
Federal	65	65
Glenrock	28	30
Int. Pete.	17⅛	17⅝
Keystone Ranger	1	1
Marl Mexico	4⅛	4⅝
Mexico Oil	24	33
Mutual Oil	11¼	11⅝
Noble Oil	9	10
Pennock	16	18½
Ryan Cons.	4	5⅛
Sapulpa	60	65
Salt Cr. Prod.	19⅝	20
Salt Cr. Cons.	9	10
Seaboard Oil	90	98
Wilcox	6⅝	6⅞
Mines		
Ariz. Globe	8	10
Hutta & Wesl	18	25
Cal. Jerome	9	10
Candelaria	8	8
Cons. Copper	1⅛	1⅛
Cresson	4⅝	5⅛
Delorce	1⅝	8
Eureka	18	18
Hecla	2⅝	2⅞
Hollinger	11	11½
Howe Sound	2⅝	3
Ind. Lead	18	20
J. V. Dev.	1⅝	2
Kerr Lake	8	2⅞
Mason Valley	1⅝	1⅞
Ny. Porcupine	94	98
Nipissing	6⅛	6⅝
Ohio Cop.	75	80
Ray Herc.	20	20
Simons Lead	1	1
Success	45	50
Teck Hughes	1⅛	1 8-16
Tuolumne	3	4
Un. Eastern	1	1 1-16
Un. Verde	17	17⅛
Wayne Coal	59	65

VICTORIA EXCHANGE

Mining	Bid	Asked
Boundary Red Mountain	.16	.24
Bowena Copper	.13	.15
Coalmont Collieries		30.00
Coal M & S	25.00	83.50
Cork Province	.06½	.09½
Douglas Channel	.01	.01½
Dunwell Mines		1.75
Granby	14.00	
Hazelton Gold-Cobalt		.01
Howe Sound	2.75	3.50
Indian Mines	.73	
International Coal	.11	.14
Liberator Mining Co.		.05
McGillivray Coal	.65	.78
Premier Mines		2.25
Rambler-Cariboo		.06
Sheep Creek Cons.	.09½	.09½
Silver Crest Mines		.02
Silversmith		.02
Snug Cove Copper		.02
Standard Silver Lead		.01
Sunloch Mines		.30
Surf Inlet Gold		.17
Oils		
Athabasca Oil		.99
Boundary Bay Oil	.00 1-16	.00¼
Empire Oil, without bonus		.00½
Flit Meadows		.02
Spartan Oil	.09½	.04½
Sweetgrass	.00½	.00½
Trojan Oil	.04½	
Utility Oil		.03½
British Pats	1.00	
Miscellaneous		
Allen Theatre pfd.	24.00	
B.C. Permanent Loan	94.50	100.00
C. P. R.	168.00	
Gregory Tire & Rubber		2.00

MONTREAL STOCKS

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All Fractions in Eighths

	Close
Abitibi	81-2
Brompton Paper	41
Brazilian Trac.	44-3
Can Car Fdy. com.	94
Can Cottons	102
Cons. M. & S.	51-2
Detroit United	66
Dominion Textile	62-8
Lake of Woods Milling	144
Laurentide Co.	89-2
National Breweries	55-8
Atlantic Sugar	164
Shawinigan	123
Spanish River Pulp	104
Steel of Can.	76-4
Bank of Commerce	184
Bank of Montreal	387-4

METAL MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Copper quiet. Electrolytic, spot and nearby 18⅛c to 18¼c; futures 13¼c.
Tin easier spot and nearby $47; futures $46.67.
Iron steady; No. 1 Northern $22 to $24; No. 2 Northern $23; No. 2 Southern $21 to $22.
Lead steady, spot $7.25 to $7.75.
Zinc steady, East St. Louis, spot and nearby $6.20.
Antimony, spot L9

At London

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Standard copper, spot £67 17s 6d; futures £69 7s 6d. Electrolytic, spot £67 15s; futures £68 5s.
Tin, spot £233 10s, futures £234 12s.
Lead, spot £21 10s; futures £20 17s 6d.
Zinc, spot £32 10s; futures £32 12s 6d.

MONEY MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Call money steady; high 4⅝; low 4½; ruling rate 4⅝; closing bid 4½; offered at 4⅝; last loan 4½; call loans against acceptances 4⅝.
Time loans firm, mixed collateral, 60-90 days, 5 to 5½; 4-6 months, 5 to 5¼.
Prime commercial paper 4⅝ to 5.

At London

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Money 2½ per cent. Discount rates: Short bills 3¼ per cent; three months' bills 3¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Sterling exchange at $4.35 for 60-day bills and $4.37¼ for demand.
Bar silver, foreign, 65⅝.
Canadian dollars 97½.

SILVER MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Bar silver 65⅝.
Mexican dollars 50⅝.

At London

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Bar silver 33⅝d per ounce.

SUGAR MARKETS

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Raw sugar, centrifugal, 7.41, refined granulated, 9.00.

TORONTO MINES

(Furnished by Burdick Brothers, Ltd.)

	Bid.	Asked.
Lake Shore	335	
Teck Hughes	118	120
McIntyre Porc.	18.65	18.75
Hollinger Con.	11.40	11.50
Newray Mines	40½	41
Temiskaming	83½	84½
Wasapika Can.	3½	4
Dome Mines	19.50	19.75
Pres. K. Dome	13	13½
Vipond Cons.	94	96
Thompson Krist	4	4½
Tisdale	1½	3
Allas	4	
McKinley Dar. S.	395	397
Moneta	21½	22
Clifton	5½	5¾
Chislaga		287
Goldgle	44	49
Argonaut Gold	60	61½
Castle Trth	49	49½
Indian Mines	89	93½

LIVESTOCK SALES

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—For the eleven months ended November 30, public sales of commercial cattle were approximately 26,000 head fewer than during the period last year, according to a report issued by the Dominion Livestock Branch of the Department of Agriculture.

UNDERTONE FIRM ON WINNIPEG MARKET

In Spite of Continued Light Demand, Wheat Prices Show Fractional Increase

WINNIPEG, Dec. 17.—Trade continued light on the wheat market here today, but the undertone was firm and values showed a gain of ¼ cent to ⅜ cent at the close.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	99⅝	99⅝	99⅛	99⅛
May	98⅝	98⅝	98⅛	98⅛
July	100	100⅝	99⅞	100⅛
Oats—				
Dec.	36⅝	36⅝	36⅛a	36⅛b
May	41⅛	41⅝	41⅛	41⅝
July	40	42⅛	40	42b
Barley—				
Dec.	64⅛	64⅛b	64⅝	64⅛b
May	56⅝	56⅝	56⅛	56⅝b
Flax—				
Dec.	198⅛	199⅝	197⅛	198b
May	206	206⅛b	204⅝	204⅝b
July	206⅝	206⅝	205⅛a	205⅝b
Rye—				
Dec.	64	64⅛b	64	64⅛b
May	68⅝	69⅝	69⅝	69⅝b

Cash Prices

Wheat—1 nor., 99⅝; 1 nor., 89⅝; 3 nor., 84⅝; No. 4, 76⅝; No. 5, 69⅝; No. 4, 67⅝; feed, 68⅝; track, 92⅝; No. 4 rusted, 77⅝; No. 5 rusted, 69⅝; No. 6 rusted, 67⅝.
Oats—2 cw., 36⅝; 3 cw., 33⅝; extra 1 feed, 38⅝; 1 feed, 37⅝; 2 feed, 39⅝; rejected, 24⅝; track, 36⅝.
Barley—3 cw., 64⅝; 4 cw., 59⅝; rejected, 48⅝; feed, 46⅝; track, 64⅝.
Flax—1 nwc., 196; 2 cw., 194; 3 cw., 166; rejected, 168; track, 196.
Rye—3 cw., 64⅝.

TORONTO VICTORY BONDS

(R. P. Clark & Co., Ltd.)

Victory Loan, 5½%—Tax Free	Bid	Asked
1927, 1st June and Dec.	101.55	101.40
1933, 1st May and Nov.	104.65	105.65
1937, 1st June and Dec.	106.85	107.85
Victory Loan, 5½%		
1924, 1st May and Nov.	99.40	100.80
1927, 1st May and Nov.	100.70	101.70
1932, 1st May and Nov.	101.15	102.15
1934, 1st May and Nov.	101.70	102.70
War Loan, 5%—Tax Free		
1933, 1st June and Dec.	98.50	100.50
1931, 1st April and Oct.	100.10	101.10
1937, 1st Mar. and Sept.	102.00	103.00

(Payable New York.)

U. S. LIBERTY BONDS

(Furnished by Burdick Brothers, Ltd.)

	Close.
Liberty 3½'s	98.86 @ 99.99
Liberty 1st 4's	98.06 @ 98.22
Liberty 2nd 4's	96.10 @ 96.16
Liberty 1st 4¼'s	96.14 @ 96.16
Liberty 2nd 4¼'s	96.11 @ 96.13
Liberty 4th 4¼'s	99.97 @ 99.99
Liberty 4th 4¼'s	98.18 @ 98.18
U.S. 4¼'s	99.17 @ 99.18

NEW YORK COTTON

(By British-American Bond Corpn., Ltd.)

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	33.85	34.85	33.78	34.90
Mar.	33.90	34.60	33.78	34.50
May	34.08	34.85	33.97	34.91
July	33.35	34.17	33.55	34.10
Oct.	27.70	28.40	27.60	28.40
Dec.	33.90	35.15	33.90	35.10
Spot				35.40

RAW SUGAR

(By British-American Bond Corpn., Ltd.)

	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	5.81	5.79	5.81
Mar.	4.70	4.66	4.67
May	4.74	4.69	4.71
July	4.77	4.74	4.77

Yields on Active Unlisted Stocks

(Balfour, White & Co., Limited)

	Price	Yield
Alberta Pacific Grain 7% pfd.	97	7.60
Belding Corticelli 7% pfd.	90	7.78
Brandram-Henderson 7% pfd.	93	6.46
Canadian Westinghouse 8% com.	182	8.12
Cockshutt Plow 7% pfd., 38% in arr., pay 4%	44½	8.39
Dom. Power & Transm. 7% pfd.	91	7.69
Dunlop Tire 7% pfd.	83	8.70
Famous Players 8% pfd., plus 50% com.	81	12.46
Hollinger Cons. Gold Mines 13%	11.90	6.40
Imperial Oil 18%	196	2.40
Imp. Tob. of Canada 6% com.	5	5.00
Laurentide Power 8%	95	8.21
Montreal City & Dist. Bank 10%	177	5.70
Robt. Simpson 8% pfd.	99	8.87
South. Canada Power 6% pfd.	91	6.59
Sterling Bank 8%	160	3.00

U.S. Government Report on Crops

(Supplied by Burdick Bros.)

Corn acreage, 104,184,000; yield per acre, 29.1; production, 3,054,896,000.
Winter wheat acreage, 30,828,000; yield per acre, 14.5; production, 472,840,000.
Spring wheat acreage, 13,784,000; yield per acre, 11.4; production, 157,607,000.
Corn acreage 1923, revised, 103,846,000; yield per acre, 28.5; production, 3,006,090,000.
Winter wheat in 1923, acreage, 30,960,000; yield per acre, 13.85; production, 428,878,000.
All wheat, 1923, acreage, 56,308,000; yield per acre, 13.5; production, 761,741,000.
Spring wheat, 1923, acreage, 19,959,000; yield per acre, 14.1; production, 280,780,000.
Oats, 1923, acreage, 40,835,000; yield per acre, 31.4; production, 1,299,689,000.
Barley acreage, 7,992,000; yield per acre, 28.1; production, 196,185,000.
Flax acreage, 23,061,000; yield per acre, 8.8; production, 17,429,000.

CHANGE IN CHICAGO GRAINS, PRICES UP

Wheat Market Opens Firm, and Shows Further Accumulation During the Day

(By British-American Bond Corpn., Ltd.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Today's grain market displayed a firm tone. Wheat especially showed accumulation from the start. There was considerable weakness in the nearby delivery in corn, but toward the close corn came up a cent and the list closed near the day's high prices. The draggy markets of the past ten days have finally caused a reversal in sentiment in favor of higher prices for all grains. The bear news on wheat seems to have had little or no effect in getting the market lower, and the professional element is therefore inclined to try the other side. Judging from today's action, a better grain market can be looked for during the next week or ten days.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.	105⅝	105⅝	103⅝	105⅛
May	105⅝	105⅝	104⅝	105⅝
July	108⅝	107⅛	106⅝	107
Corn—				
Dec.	76⅛	76⅝	76⅛	76⅝
May	79	79⅝	79⅝	79⅛
July	78⅝	79⅛	79⅝	79⅛
Oats—				
Dec.	47⅛	47⅝	45	45⅛
May	46⅝	46⅝	45⅛	45⅝
July	45⅛	45⅝	45⅛	45⅛
Rye—				
Dec.	68⅛	68⅛	68	68⅛
July	74⅛	74⅛	74	74⅛

WORLD'S WHEAT PRODUCTION

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—The aggregate wheat production of the world, excluding Russia, is reported by the International Institute of Agriculture of Rome as 3,461,000,000 bushels. This is 351,000,000 bushels greater than of the preceding year, and 558,000,000 in excess of the five-year average.

Sugar at San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—The California-Hawaiian and the Western Sugar Refining Company today announced a reduction in the price of cane sugar from $9.35 to $9.10 per hundred. The Spreckels Sugar Company announced a reduction today on beet sugar from $9.15 to $8.90 per hundred.

FINANCE FLASHES

(Furnished by Burdick Brothers, Ltd.)

Secretary Mellon has reduced to definite form his tax reduction proposals, and forwarded a complete redraft of the Revenue Act to the House ways and means committee for use in consideration of tax revision legislation to be begun on Tuesday.

An Associated Press dispatch from Mexico City says a trap has been sprung on the De La Huerta forces, which this morning entered Puebla, which was evacuated by the Federal troops last night. According to a War Department announcement, an engagement is expected soon.

Premier Poincaire, in a reply made public tonight to Berlin requests for a general discussion of reparations and other issues with a German representative, flatly rejects the suggestion of an international conference.

Sixty million dollars Argentine bonds will probably be offered at any time now. The bonds are in the first series of the $150,000,000 issue recently authorized by Argentine Congress.

A swelling volume of Christmas trade, augmented by heavy sales of wearing apparel induced by the cold weather. This is the burden of the week-end report from financial editors of Hearst newspapers scattered throughout the country.

A Paris dispatch says the reparations committee officially announced that it would invite Brig.-General Chas. Dawles and Owen D. Young, New York lawyer and banker, to be the unofficial representatives of the United States on the expert committee which is to investigate Germany's financial position.

Firestone Tire & Rubber Company declared a dividend of $1 on common.

Reports from the steel industry from Pittsburgh say mills predict, with much show of confidence, that steel production will begin to swing upward again after the turn of the year.

Municipal governments are preparing to sell from fifty to seventy million dollars of new state and municipal bonds before the end of the year.

Freight cars were hauled more expeditiously during October, the peak traffic month, than any month of the year.

A special from Casper, Wyoming, says it is believed here that Prairie Oil will take over the Cosden interests, and will then become a factor in this region in manufacturing asphalt for highways.

It is generally accepted that California or mid-continent will be next to increase prices.

Brokers look for still higher prices in steel, motor, and other shares, and contend that if politics do not cut too much of a figure, the year 1924 will supply general encouragement.

The advance in low-priced oil, some contend, is due to inside buying.

Some estimate that Sinclair has nearly 32,000,000 barrels of oil in storage.

Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing is expected to show earnings of twice its dividend requirement.

Allied Chemical is said to have had a very successful year.

Department stores are supposed to be doing an enormous holiday business.

COTTON LETTER

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Liverpool prices were lower according to early dispatches but undertone is much steadier. The market in the closing days of last week was forced to contend with very heavy selling, a large portion of which represented realizing and a goodly portion from many of the professionals entertaining lower price ideas. We see no change in the guiding factors in the situation and think purchases should be conducted at this time.

MAY SHOW SALES TAX AS SEPARATE FIGURE

Amendment to Original Act Meets Wishes of Canadian Manufacturers

An amended regulation in regard to the sales tax has been issued by the Department of Customs. It deals with the showing of the sales tax separately on invoices, and is limited to sales by licensed manufacturers or licensed wholesalers direct to retailers or consumers. The regulations issued in October provided that in these cases the sales tax be not shown separately. Under the new regulation it is optional whether it is shown or not.

The amendment to the sales tax legislation passed last session provided that in certain cases the sales tax should be shown separately. The cases provided for were sales by a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler to a wholesaler who was not licensed and sales by an unlicensed wholesaler to a licensed manufacturer. There was no provision in the Act as regards a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler direct to a retailer, and the regulations provided that in such cases the invoices "shall not show the tax." Now, under the amended regulation, it is declared that the invoice "need not show the tax as a separate item." This leaves the matter optional.

Dow Jones' Summary

(Furnished by Burdick Brothers, Ltd.)

Government final crop report will be issued at 4 p.m.

British gold exports last week were 968,506 pounds, of which 590,000 went to the United States.

France considers funding debt to the United States and may ask long-term payment and possibly two per cent interest rate.

Ford Plate Glass Company authorized to decline 56½ per cent stock dividend on common, bringing total common stock to $10,000,000.

France and Belgium agree to direct negotiations with German reparations, Ruhr occupation on revision of Versailles Treaty barred.

Mellon proposes surtaxes begin at sixteen per cent on ten thousand, with maximum of twenty-five per cent on 100,000 or over. Normal tax on first $4,000 be three per cent, six per cent on balance. Unearned income be taxed twenty-five per cent more than earned income.

Dow Jones' Averages

40 Leading bonds	86.81	up .04
20 Industrials	95.23	up .30
20 Rails	80.65	up .25

BUSINESS BREVITIES

ACCIDENTS IN DOMINION SHOW DECREASE

Industrial Strikes in Canada in October Cost Nearly Fifty-Six Thousand Working Days

There were 5,289 accidents reported to the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Board during the month of November, being 1,127 less than during October. The fatal cases numbered 37, as against 40 in October. The amount of benefits awarded during November was $491,731, of which $420,227 was compensation and $71,503 medical aid.

Strikes Cost Time

Time loss due to industrial disputes was greater during October than during September or October of 1922, according to a report made by the Department of Labor. During the month there were in existence at some time or other 14 disputes, involving 2,497 employees and a time loss of 55,994 working days, as compared with 17 strikes in September, involving 1,844 employees and causing 35,237 days' time lost. During October of 1922 there were recorded 13 disputes, involving 3,240 employees, with a time loss of 54,753 working days. At the end of October last there were 13 disputes unsettled, with 2,467 employees involved.

Would Stop Competition

NEW YORK—A settlement of the reparations question and the consequent revival in European business which such a settlement would bring about, would, according to F. T. Harris, an American authority on pulp and paper conditions, eliminate European newsprint competition in the American market.

Immigration From U.S.

At a directors' meeting on November 20, of the Canada Colonization Association, it was decided to cut off all United States organizations at once. Deputy Minister Egan announced that the government offices over there would be reorganized and enlivened to handle this work and also that both railroads stated that they would conduct more aggressive campaigns to handle the immigration work in the United States.

November Coal Production

During the month of November the coal production of the Dominion Coal Company was 294,110 gross tons. Total output of the mines of the British Empire Steel Corporation in November was 432,456 gross tons, as compared with 484,179 gross tons for the corresponding month of 1922. Total output for the eleven months ending with November was 4,796,445 gross tons, as compared with 3,822,083 gross tons for the corresponding period last year.

New Steel Plant

The first sod has been turned in connection with the new plant of the Dominion Alloy Steel Company, which is shortly to erect a flue $5,000,000 plant in Sarnia. On November 26 about a dozen men sunk holes on the site to determine the nature of the soil on which the foundations of the new plant will be laid.

BUILDING PERMITS SHOW FALLING OFF

Dominion Returns Indicate Twelve Millions Decrease During the Past Eleven Months

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—Returns furnished by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics by 58 Canadian cities show a decrease in the value represented by building permits issued during November as compared with October and with November of last year.

During the month building to the value of $8,003,000 was authorized, as against $9,701,000 in October and $10,085,000 in November, 1922.

Manitoba and

A BY-LAW

To Provide for the Construction, Operation and Maintenance of an Amusement Centre in the City of Victoria.

WHEREAS it is deemed desirable that the Corporation of the City of Victoria should grant to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company a lease of those portions of Victoria City Lots 1276A and 1276B lying east of Douglas Street and north of Belleville Street, in the City of Victoria, for the establishment thereon of an Amusement Centre in consideration of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company agreeing to construct, operate and maintain, or cause to be constructed, operated and maintained, on the said lands the necessary buildings and other improvements thereon, at a cost of not less than Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00), the said lease to provide for free water and exemption from taxation in respect thereof, and also to provide for fixed taxation and fixed water rates in respect of the Empress Hotel and grounds for a period of twenty years, the terms and conditions of which lease have been submitted to and approved by the City Council and which said proposed lease is in the words following:

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT made the day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three.

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, hereinafter called the "Corporation,"

OF THE FIRST PART,

AND:

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, hereinafter called the "Company,"

OF THE SECOND PART:

WHEREAS the Corporation, for the purpose of adding to the attractiveness of the City of Victoria to tourists and residents, is desirous of procuring the erection and operation of an amusement centre upon the lands hereinafter described;

AND WHEREAS the Company is willing to erect and operate or cause the same to be erected and operated for the period and upon the terms and in consideration of the concessions hereinafter mentioned;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation and the Company have agreed as hereinafter set forth.

NOW THEREFORE THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:

1. In consideration of the agreements of the Company herein contained, the Corporation agrees to demise and doth hereby demise unto the Company, subject to the observance and performance of the covenants and conditions hereinafter contained, ALL AND SINGULAR that piece or parcel of land more particularly described as being that portion of Victoria City Lots 1276A and 1276B, lying east of Douglas Street and north of Belleville Street, in the City of Victoria, Province of British Columbia, TO HOLD the premises unto the Company for the term of twenty years from the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, yielding therefor during the said term the yearly rent of One Dollar ($1.00) clear of all deductions on the second day of January in each and every year, the first of said payments to be made on the second day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five. Should the City acquire title to any lands adjoining the lands hereinbefore specifically described, such additional lands may be included in the demised premises as the Municipal Council and the Company may agree upon.

1. The Company doth hereby covenant with the Corporation:

(a) That the Company during the said term will pay the yearly rent hereinbefore reserved on the days and in the manner aforesaid.

(b) That it will on or before the first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, commence or cause to be commenced the construction of a building to be used as an Amusement Centre, which with the moneys to be spent in beautifying and improving the demised premises and making provision for conveying salt water to the building to be erected on the demised lands shall cost not less than the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars ($200,000.00). The general design and style of construction of the building shall be approved by resolution of the Municipal Council before commencement of the work of construction, but the Council shall have power to approve during the progress of the work such alterations as may seem to the Council to improve the structure for the purposes of an Amusement Centre. Following such commencement the Company will continuously and with due diligence proceed or cause to be proceeded with the construction and completion of the Amusement Centre building so that the same shall be finally completed ready for operation on or before the first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, provided, however, that if the completion be delayed from causes beyond the control of the Company the time for completion shall be extended for a period corresponding to the delay due to such causes. The Company shall also with due diligence improve that portion of the demised premises which will not be occupied by the necessary buildings and walks, by the construction of lawns, planting of flowers, trees or shrubbery, or such other improvements as shall be in keeping with the establishment of an Amusement Centre, the Corporation hereby undertaking to supply from its nursery stock such trees and shrubs as may in the opinion of the Council be available for such purposes.

(c) That it will upon the completion of the construction of the said Amusement Centre thereafter during the term of the demise continuously carry on and operate the same or cause the same to be continuously operated and carried on in an orderly, proper and efficient manner to the end that the visitors to the said City of Victoria and the residents therein may at all reasonable times enjoy the benefits and privileges thereof upon payment of such popular fees or charges as the Company may reasonably prescribe. The Company will endeavor in the operation of the Amusement Centre to make it attractive to the visitors and residents of the City of Victoria.

(d) That in the operation of the said Amusement Centre it will subject as herein provided at all reasonable times keep, operate and maintain therein a swimming pool of warmed salt water, a Winter garden, promenades, gymnasium and such other popular amusements or attractions as the Company may determine; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that interruptions due to accidents or circumstances over which the Company has no control shall not be deemed a breach of this covenant. Should it be found at any time that the swimming pool or any of the other amusements or attractions herein specially mentioned is not being satisfactorily patronized or for any other reason, other use may at any time in the opinion of the Company and of the Municipal Council of the Corporation better promote the purpose of the Amusement Centre, the Council may consent to the substitution of such other amusement or attraction or use or uses and such structural alterations as the Council and the Company may agree upon.

(e) That it will obtain a supply of salt water for the purpose of the said swimming pool from the foreshore off Beacon Hill Park or other suitable intake, and will apply for the necessary foreshore rights for that purpose, and if such rights be obtained, erect a pump on said foreshore for the purpose of pumping such salt water, and lay the necessary pipes or mains for carrying the water to the Amusement Centre, the Corporation hereby and in so far as it may have the power so to do, granting and conferring upon the Company the easement and privilege of using such lands of the Corporation to be designated by the Corporation as may be necessary for the erection of such pumping station or tank and other structures on the foreshore or in said Beacon Hill Park or elsewhere, the pumphouse or other structures to be to the satisfaction of the Council. The Corporation also hereby in and so far as it has the power so to do grants to the Company the right and easement of laying, operating, and maintaining the said pipes or mains along or upon any street or property of the Corporation. The Company may lay pipes or conduit for pipes across Douglas Street from the Empress Hotel property for carrying steam or water to the demised premises, the situation of the said pipes, mains and conduit to be first approved by the City Engineer. The laying of such pipes or mains shall be done with the least possible damage to the surface of any highway upon which they are laid, and upon the same being installed the surface shall be restored as nearly as possible to its former condition. The Company shall indemnify the Corporation against any damage or claim for damage due to the negligence of the Company in constructing, operating, and maintaining said pipes or mains.

(f) In the event of the Amusement Centre building or buildings being damaged or destroyed by fire the Company will repair or rebuild the same within one year from the date of such damage or destruction.

(g) The Company covenants that it will at all times during the term hereby created keep the buildings on such land in good and substantial state of repair, ordinary wear and tear and damage by tempest or act of God excepted.

(h) That it will at all times during the term hereby created keep that portion of the demised premises not occupied by the said buildings in a neat and orderly condition.

(i) The Company shall not assign without leave, but nothing in these presents contained shall prevent the Company from subletting the demised premises for a term not exceeding upon any one occasion a period of five years or such longer period as the Council may by resolution approve, provided such subletting shall not relieve the Company from performance of its covenants herein contained.

(j) The Company will devote the net profits which it receives from the Amusement Centre over and above operating expenses, due allowance and provision for maintenance, repairs, insurance, interest on investment at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum and reasonable allowance for depreciation, to such betterments or improvements as will in the opinion of the Company add to the attractions of the Amusement Centre.

2. The Corporation in consideration of the observance and carrying out of the provisions and covenants on the part of the Company herein contained, hereby grants to and covenants and agrees with the Company as follows:

(a) The Corporation hereby exempts the demised lands and all improvements erected or hereafter erected thereon as part of or in connection with the Amusement Centre from the payment of all Municipal assessments, rates, local improvement charges, school taxes, sewer or other rentals and all other Municipal taxes whatsoever which may be levied or which could by virtue of any law now or hereafter existing be levied upon the demised premises and the improvements thereon from time to time or any of them.

(b) At no time during the said demise of twenty years from the first day of January, 1925, shall the municipal licence fees, business or other taxes that pertain to the use of the demised premises or the buildings from time to time thereon or anything carried on therein or thereon (except the sale of articles of merchandise other than the sale of refreshments for consumption on the premises) exceed the licence fees, business or other taxes which the Corporation is by statute empowered to charge at the date of these presents, provided that no licence fees shall be charged in respect of the Amusement Centre as such, the gymnasium or the swimming pool so long as there is no other Amusement Centre, gymnasium or swimming pool in Victoria paying a licence fee or fees.

(c) The Corporation will during the said twenty years supply to the Company without cost to the Company for use in connection with the demised premises and the improvements thereon from its present water works or from such other water works as for the time being may be constructed and in operation for the purpose of supplying water to the City of Victoria, a good and sufficient supply of fresh water, such water to be reasonably used by the Company. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Company shall not establish on the demised premises outdoor ponds, pools, or flowing fountains, without first obtaining the approval of the Municipal Council.

(d) The Corporation grants to the Company the right and easement of discharging the waste water from its salt water baths into the surface drains of the Municipality on Douglas Street or on such other place as may be approved by the Council.

4. At any time during the last year of the demise herein the Company may give at least six months' notice in writing to the Corporation of its desire to renew the lease hereto and upon giving such notice the Company shall have the right of renewing the lease hereby granted (with the exemptions from assessments, rates, charges, rentals, and taxes herein provided) either for Amusement Centre purposes or for such other purposes (provided such other purposes are in the general interest of the Corporation and the Company) as the Company may decide, for such further period with a right of renewal or renewals not exceeding in all twenty years as the Company shall elect upon such rental for the lands (not taking into consideration the buildings or improvements erected or made by the Company) as may be agreed upon by the Council at that time and the Company. In fixing the rental to be paid by the Company the basis for arriving at the same shall be the value of the land as a site for an Amusement Centre of the character herein contemplated, or its value as a site for such other purposes for which such renewal lease is taken. There shall be added to allow the Lessee from the operation of the property a return of six per cent per annum plus a reasonable allowance for annual depreciation upon the then value of the improvements. The said value of the improvements shall be the cost less a reasonable allowance for depreciation, provided that in fixing such depreciation allowance regard shall be had to, amongst other things, the purpose or purposes for which the Amusement Centre building and improvements are to be used during such renewal period or periods. Should the parties not be able to agree upon the rent to be fixed, the fixing of such rental shall be determined by arbitration in the manner provided by clause six hereof.

5. Provided always and it is hereby expressly agreed that in the case of the breach or non-performance or non-observance of any of the covenants and agreements herein contained on the part of the Company, then and in any such case, the Corporation may give notice in writing of such breach, non-performance or non-observance and call upon the Company to remedy the same. If the Company shall not remedy the same within a reasonable time, the Corporation may serve a further notice upon the Company fixing therein a day on or before which such breach, non-performance or non-observance shall be remedied, and if the same be not remedied on or before the date so named in the said notice, it shall be lawful for the Corporation at any time thereafter, into and upon the said demised premises and improvements thereon or any part thereof in the name of the whole, to re-enter, and the same to have again, repossess and enjoy as of its former estate subject to the provisions for arbitration hereinafter contained, and in the event of such re-entry the Corporation shall subject as aforesaid forthwith enter into and take possession of the salt water supply system by these presents required to be constructed by the Company and thereafter to hold, use and enjoy the same to the extinguishment of the Company, and any person or Corporation claiming under it.

6. In case any dispute or difference shall arise during the term of this demise or any renewal thereof, between the Corporation and the Company concerning the meaning of these presents, the observance or performance or non-observance or non-performance of any covenants, provisions, conditions or agreements or rights or powers in these presents contained, or any other matter whatsoever arising out of these presents or the breach thereof, every such dispute shall at the instance of either party be referred to and decided by arbitration, each of the parties hereto to appoint an arbitrator, and the two arbitrators to appoint a third arbitrator, and the decision of such arbitrators or the majority of them shall in every case be binding and conclusive upon both parties hereto, and such reference shall be deemed to be a submission to arbitration within the meaning of the Arbitration Act, for the time being in force in the Province of British Columbia, and shall be subject to the provisions of such Act. Notwithstanding the giving of any notice by the Corporation in these presents provided or of any right of re-entry or of anything in these presents contained the arbitrators may in their award in addition to all other powers determine what should be done to remedy any breach, non-observance or non-performance of any covenant, provision, condition or agreement found to have occurred or been committed and may fix a time for the doing of any act or thing which the arbitrators prescribe to be done to remedy any breach, non-observance or non-performance so found or for the carrying out of their award or any part thereof.

7. In consideration of the covenants and agreements of the Company contained in these presents to construct or cause to be constructed the Amusement Centre herein described and to operate or cause the same to be operated, the Corporation hereby:

(a) Agrees with the Company to accept during the period of twenty years from the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000.00) per annum in full satisfaction of all Municipal assessments, rates, taxes and rentals whatsoever, including school taxes which may or could be levied upon or in respect of the lands in the City of Victoria bounded by Government, Belleville, Douglas and Humboldt Streets, or the improvements now or hereafter thereon, or the user thereof by the Company, and whether by virtue of any law now or hereafter existing, excepting licence fees and local improvement taxes, provided, however, that at no time during the said period of twenty years shall the licence fees (or any other charge imposed in substitution thereof) for any trade or business now carried on at or in the Empress Hotel by the Company itself exceed those which the Corporation is by statute empowered to charge at the date of these presents, and provided further that during the said period the Company may be called upon to pay local improvement taxes in respect of property bounded as aforesaid but only in respect of improvements constructed upon those portions of Government, Belleville, Douglas and Humboldt Streets abutting upon the said property of the Company bounded as aforesaid or improvements of which part is constructed upon the said portions of the said streets or part thereof but in no event shall the Company's share of the cost of such improvements exceed, in respect of the pavement of the highway portion, exclusive of sidewalks, one-third of the cost of the work actually fronting the said property of the Company, and

(b) Agrees to accept the sum of five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) per annum in full satisfaction of all water rates or charges for water used or consumed upon the said lands and improvements during the said period of twenty years, the Corporation hereby agreeing to furnish the water reasonably required by the Company upon the said land and improvements as described in Subsection (a) of this paragraph during the said period.

8. Wherever in these presents the word "Corporation" or the word "Company" appears the same shall, when the context permits, be deemed to mean and include its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Corporate Seals of the parties hereto have hereunto affixed by their proper officers in that behalf.

SEALED with the Corporate Seal of THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, in the presence of:

Mayor.

Clerk of the Municipal Council.

SEALED with the Corporate Seal of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, in the presence of:

THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. After the assent of the electors of the City of Victoria has been given in manner hereinafter required, and after this by-law is in full force and effect, the said Corporation shall execute the lease as hereinbefore recited, and on the execution thereof by both parties thereto, the said lease shall be deemed to form part of and be read with this by-law.

2. The terms and conditions contained in the hereinbefore recited lease are hereby confirmed and the parties thereto are hereby authorized and empowered to have, hold and exercise all the rights and privileges mentioned or referred to therein, subject only to the conditions and restrictions therein expressly set forth.

3. This by-law shall, before the final passing thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the Municipality pursuant to provisions contained in Victoria City Act, 1923.

4. This by-law may be cited as the "Amusement Centre By-law, 1923."

Passed by the Municipal Council this 17th day of December, A.D. 1923.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of the proposed by-law, upon which the vote of the Municipality will be taken at the building known as No. 1400 Government Street, corner of Johnson Street, in the City of Victoria, on Saturday, the 29th day of December, 1923; that the polls will be kept open between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 7 o'clock in the afternoon; and that William Scowcroft has been appointed Returning Officer of the said vote.

K. W. BRADLEY,
Clerk of the Municipal Council.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B.C., 16th December, 1923.

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Vancouver Island

MAYNE ISLANDERS APPEAL TO OTTAWA

WILL ASK GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO REDRESS MAIL SERVICE

Discontent With Service Supplied With Steamer Otter Leads to Public Meeting

MAYNE ISLAND, Dec. 17.—Dissatisfaction with the mail service had come to such a pass that residents of the island at a public meeting held on Friday decided to lay their grievance before no less a person than His Excellency the Governor-General at Ottawa.

All other constitutional means of securing redress had failed, it was claimed at the meeting. Deputations had been sent to the Canadian Pacific Railway in vain. Recourse to the Gulf Islands Board of Trade and to Mr. C. H. Dickie, representative of the district in the Dominion Parliament, had been similarly barren of result.

It was claimed at the meeting that the steamer Otter, the Canadian Pacific mail boat, was unsuitable to fulfill the conditions of the contract for the following reasons: First, the Otter was an old seven-knot vessel, while the current in the island passes was often seven knots, entailing much loss of time; second, her engines could not be relied upon and she was consequently difficult to handle when making landings; third, her passenger accommodation, outside a small saloon which passengers had to leave when meals were being prepared, was a small deckhouse right forward about sixteen feet square, and passengers often returned to their homes suffering from the exposure such conditions entailed; fourth, for the last thirty-five years the mails for Mayne Island had been delivered the day they left the postoffice at Victoria, but since the advent of the Otter they had been delivered on the second day, through her unhandiness and lack of speed she took two days to make the trip, laying over at night half way, and causing extra expense to passengers for meals and loss of time; fifth, no mail had been delivered to these islands between those which left the postoffice, Victoria, on December 5 and December 11.

The people here, who are dependent on the mail boat for supplies and communication, say that great hardship is being worked upon them by these circumstances and incline to the belief that the Canadian Pacific Railway is not living up to the mail contract.

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION NETS GOOD PROFIT

Alberni Sale Successful—News of the West Coast and Alberni Canal

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 17.—The Christmas sale of work, home cooking, etc., held by the Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Alban's Church yesterday afternoon in the church hall proved a financial success and a handsome sum was realized for the funds of the Guild. The concert and entertainment given in the evening attracted a large crowd of visitors, and at the commencement there was standing room only. The entertainment lasted two hours and there was not a dull moment in it, the audience testifying to its appreciation by loud applause. Thorough preparation, and good stage management, caused the programme to go without a hitch, and all the artists concerned fully sustained their already established reputations. Those who participated were Mr. Richard Broad, Mrs. E. J. Cronk, Fred Stewart, Miss Dugan, Miss D. M. Bird, Miss F. Bird, R. S. Bailey, Miss J. B. Garrard, Mrs. P. F. Stone.

The concert concluded with a chorus by the entire company and the singing of the National Anthem. The accompaniments were played by Mrs. P. F. Stone and Miss Dugan.

Tenders are being invited by the district engineer's office of the Public Works Department of the Dominion Government for the construction of a float at Alberni.

The Provincial Public Works Department has been busy repairing the damage to the roads by falling trees, landslides, etc., for the past ten days, and utilized its tractor to pull the wreckage of the 4th Avenue bridge from Dry Creek, where it was carried down stream on Monday night last.

A number of local hunters have been taking advantage of the closing days of the deer shooting season.

The eleventh annual ball of the Port Alberni volunteer fire brigade will be held on December 31. This event, which is always held on New Year's Eve, proves a great attraction, and the members of the brigade are determined to make the coming dance a bigger success than usual.

The prizes at the weekly whist drive held by the Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Alban's Church on Tuesday night were won by Miss M. Eraut and Mr. Molivar. Consolation prizes went to Mrs. C. Pope and Mr. E. Homewood.

The annual meeting of the Alberni Women's Institute was held in the court house on Tuesday of last week, when the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Mrs. A. W. Neill; first vice-president, Mrs. J. A. Croll; second vice-president, Mrs. E. L. Gill; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. R. J. Burde; executive committee, Mrs. C. A. Cox, Mrs. T. S. Grieve, Mrs. T. Atkinson, Miss L. Marcon, Mrs. G. A. Huff and Mrs. Alford.

Mr. J. W. Watson, of the Watson Fishing & Packing Co., Ltd., has left for Davis Island, where his company has a herring fishing plant in operation.

Mr. Roy F. Henna and Mr. Walter L. Harris, who have been running a logging camp on Alberni Canal for the past two years, have closed down camp for the Christmas holidays and are leaving for a few days' visit to Vancouver. The camp will be reopened at the beginning of January.

Mr. David Rothwell, who is in charge of the Dominion Government fish hatchery at Henderson Lake, was in town for a few days and inspected the creeks at McCoy Lake and Sproat Lake, where he placed salmon and trout fry some months ago.

Mr. E. G. Taylor, inspector of fisheries under the Dominion Government, has been here on business connected with his department.

Mr. E. E. Frost, Indian agent, is at present on an inspection trip to Nootka on work connected with his department.

Mr. S. W. Driver, who had been acting as quarantine officer under the Department of Indian Affairs at Cloose, where the smallpox epidemic broke out amongst the Indians some months ago, has returned to town, the necessity for further quarantine measures having disappeared with the dying out of the disease.

Mr. Gideon Hicks Sings to Cumberland Audience

CUMBERLAND, Dec. 17. — The newly organized Cumberland Choral Society gave their first concert of the 1923-1924 season in the Ilo-Ilo Theatre on Thursday evening. The large audience was charmed by the offerings of the society and assisting artist, Mr. Gideon Hicks, the well-known baritone. The choir, under the able leadership of Mr. C. W. Sillence, of Royston, was exceptionally good, and the conductor is to be congratulated on the excellence of his work in bringing the choir, under extreme difficulties, to such a high standing. There are so many of the male members of the society working alternate shifts that it has been almost impossible to get the whole choir together at one single practice.

Mr. Gideon Hicks, of Victoria, is an artist of more than local fame, and the large audience fully appreciated his artistic rendering of the various numbers. He has a full rich quality voice and was equally at home in Handel's bass aria, "Why Do the Nations," as in the lighter encore such as "I'll Sing Thee Songs of Araby." The magnificent power and compass of his fine voice found full expression in Verdi's masterpiece, which is probably the greatest baritone aria ever written, "Eri Tu Che Macchiavel." In this he carried his audience with him in wrapt attention and admiration of the quality and favor of the artist's interpretation. Schubert's "Impatience" required no written description. One could visualize the impatient lover from the passionate declamation and varying mood effectively sung. Haydn's famous aria from the "Creation," "Rolling in Foaming Billows" again brought out Mr. Hicks and gave fine scope showing the power and timbre of his voice which was always under perfect control, whether in the broad sonorous power descriptive of the rolling billows or the lighter song picture of the purling brook. Mr. Gideon Hicks fully deserves the front rank position he has attained in the musical world for his fine voice and artistic singing which is coupled to a delightful personality. It is only just to add a word in appreciation of his most accomplished accompanist, Mr. Gilford Warn, the co-operation between singer and accompanist in the many very difficult numbers was one of the delights of the concert, and the hope was expressed that both singer and pianist would be heard in Cumberland again in the very near future.

GLARING SPOT LIGHT CAUSES COLLISION

ROYAL OAK, Dec. 17.—A glaring spotlight was responsible for a minor accident to two Chevrolet cars on the East Saanich Road near Elk Lake on Sunday evening, when Mr. Creighton, on his way to Sidney, collided with Mr. Tucker's car, driving citywards. No one suffered injury, and Mr. Creighton's car was able to proceed to Sidney with a broken running board. Mr. Tucker's car was more severely damaged, with wheels and mud guard crushed and running board completely demolished.

Royal Oak School will hold its annual concert on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, not on Friday, as announced in error. Refreshments will be served and candy will be for sale.

School Concert Will Be Presented Tonight

SAANICH, Dec. 17.—Japanese and Indian plays, recitations, dialogues and songs, by pupils of the senior grade, and a Mother Goose playlet by the primary classes will be some of the attractions at the Christmas concert to be given by the teachers and pupils of the West Saanich school at the Institute Hall tomorrow night. Little Miss Mary Hustin's prize-winning doll in the recent doll-dressing contest will appear in company with a number of dolls dressed as fairy tale characters in a play entitled "The Tea House." Pretty scenery has been arranged for this, and the entire programme bids fair to be one of the best of the Christmas events.

Santa Gets Boisterous Reception at Duncan

DUNCAN, Dec. 17.—Despite the inclement weather, children with and without their parents braved the elements and came out to see Santa Claus when he paid his annual visit to the store of the Cowichan Merchants. People flocked in from all outlying points, including Genoa Bay, Crofton, Chemainus, Westholme, Cowichan Station and Cobble Hill, and the pavement surrounding the Merchants' building was a living mass, when Santa, who apparently arrived by aeroplane, landed on top of the Merchants building. From that point he won the hearts of the children by scattering peanuts and pennies into the throng below. It was a mad scramble. He then made his way downstairs, and with the characteristic pack on his back he delighted the children with his pranks, then took up his stand at the side entrance where he distributed a present to all the children. Between seven and eight hundred gifts were distributed.

DRIVE AID DANCE

SOOKE, Dec. 17.—Sooke Hall was last week the scene of a lively entertainment consisting of a whist drive followed by a dance. Four prizes were offered for the whist games, the successful players being Mrs. G. Nicholson, of Sooke Hotel, who won the ladies' prize; Master Murray Barbour, the gentlemen's prize; Miss J. Dawson, the ladies' booby prize, and Mr. F. Cullum, gentlemen's booby prize. Sooke orchestra privided music for the dancing.

Saanichton Cabaret to Be Held Wednesday

SAANICH, Dec. 17.—Prettily decorated carts, laden with a variety of things, such as candies, chewing-gum, and cigarettes, and drawn by young girls dressed in fancy costume will be seen at the cabaret to be held at Saanichton on Wednesday evening. A stall devoted to the sale of ice cream, candy, balloons and streamers will occupy a prominant place in the hall, and the entire interior of the place will be appropriately decorated in keeping with the Christmas season.

Mrs. Charles Wilson, Miss Eva Hart, the well known soloists, and Madame Valda, French dancer, will provide a programme of interest. Heaton's three-piece orchestra has been engaged to furnish music for the dance.

Persons wishing to attend are advised to book reservations at an early date, as several requests for tables have already been received. Reservations and particulars can be obtained by telephoning 10X. This charming affair is being held under the auspices of the St. Mary's and St. Stephen's Guilds, and the proceeds will be used for parish expenses.

An excellent time was had by the many guests attending the card party held at Mount Newton on Wednesday night. Twelve tables were occupied by the players. The game played was military five hundred, and two tables tied for first place, the cut being won by the following: Miss Hawkins, Mr. S. Lacoursiere, Mr. Bougors and Mr. A. Rochon; second prizes: Mrs. Wallace, Mr. Jones, Miss N. Hagan and Mrs. A. Hydes. An impromptu programme followed the game.

The card party to be held on December 26 marks the end of the first Winter series, with Mrs. Hall having highest ladies score and Mr. Hagan leading the men players.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crinty, of Shoal Lake, arrived on Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with with their daughter, Mrs. E. R. Snider and family. They will leave for California early in the New Year.

Mrs. King and Miss King, of Victoria, were among the visitors to the country store concert on Friday night

Nanaimo Young Folks United in Marriage

NANAIMO, Dec. 17.—At St. Paul's Church, at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, the Rev. S. Ryall celebrated the marriage of Mr. Peter Maffeo, manager of the Davenport football and basketball teams and well known in local sporting circles, and Miss Vera Helena Maud, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Akenhead, Wallace Street, and a native daughter of Nanaimo. The bride entered the church on the arm of her father to the strains of the wedding march, rendered by Mr. A. Dunsmore, wearing a pretty Grecian designed gown of Cocoa Canton crepe, with flowing panel at one side of the skirt, relieved with rose and white bead embroidery. A picture hat of a similar hue trimmed with large rose colored plumes, and a bouquet of ophelia roses and fern, completed her attire. The bridesmaid, Miss Rita McDonald, of Ladysmith, wore a beautiful costume of blue and tan Canton crepe with tan picture hat trimmed with blue flowers. The bridegroom was accompanied by Mr. M. Glasso. The church was decorated for the occasion with bronze chrysanthemums, palms and other greenery, by Mrs. C. J. Trawford, Mrs. J. Akenhead and Mrs. A. Fowler. A reception was held later at the home of the bride's parents when many friends extended their felicitations. Mr. and Mrs. Maffeo left on the afternoon boat for Vancouver on a cruise to Portland, Ore., by motor. On their return they will take up their residence at the corner of Prideaux and Wentworth Street in a pretty home recently built for Mr. Maffeo and his bride.

Weather Interferes With Dance Success

DUNCAN, Dec. 17.—That the Duncan Badminton Club has evoked the wrath of the goddess of weather would appear. On the occasion of their annual dance held last year they had the unlucky fate to pick a bitterly cold night, the coldest of the entire Winter, the thermometer registering around the zero mark. Last Friday for their annual dance the rain came down in torrents. Those who braved the elements felt there must be some hoo-doo attached, especially when the rain came down to such an extent that it even eked its way into the interior and precipitated itself in several places in moisty manner on the dancing floor.

That the dance was not a financial success is much regretted, for the committee in charge, headed by their energetic secretary, Mr. N. R. Craig, worked indefatigably. About one hundred and thirty attended and those present had a most enjoyable evening. Excellent music was provided by by Howard Bros.' orchestra.

The catering arrangements had been placed in the hands of Mr. F. Leyland and an excellent supper was served, with members of the Badminton Club acting as waiters and waitresses.

The general arrangements for the dance were in the capable hands of a committee composed of Mr. N. R. Craig, secretary, with Miss Violet Hayward, Mrs. N. R. Craig and Miss Maud Dove.

The decorations in the main hall were the work of Miss Violet Hayward Mrs. N. R. Craig, Miss Maud Dove, Mrs. Gooding, Miss Dawson-Thomas, Messrs. N. R. Craig, W.

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Women's Knit Underwear Heavy Weight

Women's "Harvey" Vests in slip-over style; also button front style with low or V neck, bias finish. Excellent Winter weight. Sizes 16 to 42. Dependable goods at, each ..... **$1.25** and **$1.35**

Women's "Harvey" Bloomers, elastic at waist and knee, with gusset. A well known and reliable brand. Sizes 36 to 42. Priced, according to size, at ..... **$1.25** to **$1.50**

Women's Wool Mixture Combinations, high neck, long and elbow sleeves, button fronts, ankle length. Sizes 36 to 40. Excellent wearing qualities, and priced at, a suit **$2.95**

Women's Heavy Fleece-Lined Bloomers, elastic at waist and knee, with gusset. Shown in grey and camel. Sizes 36 to 42. Special at, a pair ..... **89¢**

—Knitwear, 1st Floor

No More Appropriate Gift Than Slippers

Women's Boudoir Slippers, with soft leather soles and rubber heels, suede or kid, and all colors ..... **$1.50** and **$1.35**

Women's Felt Cosy Slippers, with soft leather soles, all colors and sizes **$1.00**

Women's Felt Juliet Slippers, with leather soles and heels, all colors, pair, **$1.95**

Men's Kid Pullman or Romeo Slippers, black or brown, with turn leather soles and heels. Special at **$3.35**

Women's English Wool Slippers, excellent grade, plain camel hair or plaid patterns, all sizes **$1.95**

A large range of Men's Slippers, many styles, in all leathers with stout soles or felt with leather soles and heels. A pair **$1.95**

Men's Soft Kid Slippers, with padded leather soles and rubber heels, black or brown. A pair **$1.50**

All Wonderful Values.

50 Dozen Men's Silk Ties, $1.00 Values to Clear Between 9 and 11:30 Today

50 dozen Men's Silk Ties, suitable for Christmas gifts. They are put up in fancy boxes and are shown in brocades, fancy stripes and plain colors. You will have to be in the store early to get near the counter. No phone or C.O.D. orders. Regular $1.00 values for **69¢**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Work Gloves for a Man's Gift

Men's Lined Muleskin Gauntlet Wrist Gloves, hard wearers. A pair ..... **75¢**

Unlined Muleskin Gloves. A pair ..... **50¢**

Men's Pigskin pullover mitts. A pair ..... **85¢**

Pearl Sheep Gauntlet Wrist Work Gloves, well lined. A pair **$1.25**

Horse-Front, Mule-Back Work Gloves; a perfect fitting glove with double thumb and palm. A pair **$1.50**

Horse-Front, Mule-Back Gauntlet Wrist Work Gloves, lined. Will stand hard wear. A pair **$1.75**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

A Pair of Gloves

An Incomparable Gift for a Woman

Our selection of Finer Grade Gloves supplies every possible demand for gifts of this nature.

French Kid and Suede Gauntlet Gloves, made of soft, pliable skins; perfect fitting gloves, dressy and smart in appearance and shown in all wanted shades. A pair **$4.50**

Cape Skin Gauntlet Gloves with one dome strap and gusset of contrasting color. Shown in shades of brown, grey and beaver. A pair **$3.75**

Non-Rip Driving Gauntlets of excellent quality and weight. They are finished with strap wrist fastener and in brown shade only. A pair **$3.50**

Mocha Suede Gauntlet Gloves, of soft, pliable skin and shown in grey and beaver with contrasting gusset and welt. A pair, **$3.50**

Novelty Cape Skin Gloves, made with turn-back cuffs of suede effect, in contrasting color. They have silk embroidered backs and are in shades of brown, grey and beaver **$3.95**

Novelty Cape Skin Gloves, smart in appearance, with fancy silk stitch back and turn-back cuffs, in black and white effect. The shades are brown, grey and beaver. A pair **$3.95**

Cape Skin Gauntlet Gloves of exceptional quality and with newest flare reversible cuffs, with strap encircling wrist; trimmed with pearl buckles. Colors brown, grey and beaver **$4.75**

—Gloves, Main Floor

Sweaters for Boys and Girls

Neat Pull-Over Sweaters for boys, with polo collars and three buttons on front. They are shown in shades of fawn, brown, light and dark blue, navy, putty and grey. The collars have a band of white and some have tie with stripes in contrasting color. For the ages of 2 to 7 years ..... **$1.75** to **$2.50**

Pull-Over Sweaters for boys, made with polo collar and three buttons. The shades are blue, fawn, brown, grey, green, navy, putty and white. For the ages of 2 to 8 years **$1.49**

All-Wool Pull-Over Sweaters for girls. Shades are brown and fawn, blue and fawn. Very neat, and for the ages of 8 to 12 years. Each **$2.95**

—Children's, 1st Floor

All-Wool Auto Rugs, Each $5.75

You have decided to buy an Auto Rug this Christmas. Then, don't miss this special offer. All-Wool Rugs, made in England, patterned in checks and plaids and one plain side. Full size and fringed ends. special this morning at **$5.75**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

For a Man's Christmas—A Negligee Shirt

Men's Tricotine Shirts, Tooke brand. They are shown in a rich cream shade and are equal to silk in appearance and wear **$4.25**

Men's Fine Negligee Shirts of printed percales and woven cambrics, patterned in neat and fancy stripes; all sizes. Each **$2.25**

Union Taffeta Wool and Cotton Shirts; made coat style with soft double cuffs and centre pleat down front; full English sizes; fancy stripes on a white ground. Each **$4.95**

British Made Oxford and Cambric Shirts for work or outing wear, made in negligee style, with neckband, soft double cuffs, patterned in neat, white stripes on a white ground. **$3.75** and **$2.75**

English Flaxman Oxford Shirts, with or without collar attached; pullover style, in medium color stripes and with band or button cuffs **$2.35**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Fine White Cotton Brassieres, $1.25

Regulation Brassieres of fine white cotton, with embroidery trimmed top, front hook, and boned throughout front. They are reinforced under the arms. Model brassieres. Sizes 36 to 44. Each **$1.25**

—Corsets, 1st Floor

A Dressing Gown or Bathrobe

For Mother, Wife or Sister

They symbolize comfort, therefore are worthy of being ranked among the leading gift lines.

We have many to select from—all the newest designs and colorings; best cloths.

Beacon Cloth Robes, in shades of lavender, grey, old rose, navy, pale blue and saxe. They have collars trimmed with fancy braid or V-necks trimmed with satin in rich shades. All are finished with pockets and silk girdles. Each **$7.50**

Beacon Cloth Dressing Gowns, in floral patterns and beautiful shades. Some are finished with satin trimmed collars, have cuffs and pockets, and all have fancy cord or heavy silk girdle. Sizes 16 to 44. Each **$10.95**

Heavy Beacon Dressing Gowns, in almost every shade; made with shawl collars, trimmed with satin and finished with silk girdles. Sizes 16 to 44. Each **$13.95**

—Mantle Department, 1st Floor

News From the Toy Dept.

As Christmas draws near, Toyland is drawing larger and larger crowds daily. Hundreds of children are enjoying the ponies, the merry-go-round and other entertainment provided. Visit Toyland and participate in the big values offered in toys.

Toy Baths with Doll, at **25¢** to **$3.95**
Motor Cars ..... **50¢** to **$1.50**
Merry-Go-Rounds, **35¢** to **$1.25**
Balancing Acrobats, **25¢** and **65¢**
Cooking Stoves and Utensils, **75¢** to **$10.50**
Doll Buggies ..... **65¢**
Folding Beds, **50¢** and **$1.50**
Wash Stands and Ware, **35¢** and **$1.50**
Scales ..... **35¢** and **95¢**
Telephones **$1.50**
Little Queen Washing Machines, each **$3.95**
Humming Tops ..... **5¢** to **75¢**
Magic Lantern, **$1.25** to **$4.95**
Moving Picture Machine, **$2.95** to **$7.50**
Boats, clockwork and steam. Prices ..... **95¢** to **$8.25**
Musical Boxes, **10¢** to **$1.50**
Sewing Machine, **$1.25** to **$3.95**
Fire Station, including two clockwork cars and station **$2.75**
Steam Engines, each, **$1.90** to **$21.50**

—Toyland, Lower Main Floor

Toilet Articles Gift Section

There are so many varied and useful gifts in this section that it is impossible to describe all, but in mentioning the following items we may give you an idea that will help you to complete your list.

FRENCH IVORY—You are always safe in giving a piece towards the collection. We specialize in variety, quality and reasonable prices. Articles that make acceptable gifts can be purchased from **50¢**, **75¢**, **85¢** and ..... **$1.00** Up

PERFUMERY—We are frequently complimented on our fine selections of exquisite odors. You can find something suitable at all prices from **30¢**, **45¢**, **50¢**, **65¢**, **75¢**, **$1.00** Up

SHAVING SUPPLIES—The man's useful gift. Razors, strops, shaving sticks, brushes, mugs, mirrors and complete sets. All at money-saving prices.

HAIR BRUSHES—The best selection in the city to choose from. Ladies' hair brushes in ebony, satinwood, French ivory, etc. Priced up from **$1.00**

Military Brushes for men and boys, ranging from, a pair, up from **$1.75**

TOILET SOAPS—Fancy boxed soaps make nice gifts. We have lots to choose from. Per box of 3 cakes in each, **25¢**, **35¢**, **45¢**, **50¢** ..... **75¢** Up

Useful Gifts in the Hardware Dept.

Square and Oval Tea Trays with glass centres; values to $4.75. Special at, each, **$2.98**

Bunkie Alarm Clocks, fully guaranteed. Special **$2.98**

Copper Nickel Plated Tea Kettles—
Size 50 at **$1.85**
Size 60 at **$2.25**
Size 70 at **$2.65**
Size 80 at **$2.85**
Size 90 at **$2.95**

Three only Electric Table Lamps with two lights. Regular $29.75. Special at, each **$22.50**

Star Electric Heaters, fully guaranteed. Special at **$7.75**

Christmas Tree Decorations, 9 lights on a string. Special at, each, **$1.95**, **$2.50**, **$3.25** and **$3.50**

Adjustable Electric Lamps for bedroom or desk. Special at, each **$8.95**

Storm-Proof Weather Stripping, 20 feet in box. At, a box ..... **55¢**

Aluminum Double Roasters, round or oval. Special at, each ..... **$1.98** and **$2.69**

Round Story Cake Tins, 3 in set. At, a set ..... **55¢**

White Pudding Bowls, at, each ..... **15¢**, **20¢**, **25¢**, **30¢**

—Hardware, Lower Main Floor

WOMEN'S WOOL SCARVES

New Arrivals

Brushed Wool and Llama Wraps, camel shade with brown stripe ..... **$2.75** **$3.50**, **$5.75** and **$7.95**

White Wool Scarves, **98¢** and **$1.50**

Shetland Wool Wraps, very comfortable and of rich appearance, **$3.75** and **$4.75**

English Icewool Wraps, **$3.75** and **$5.75**

—Main Floor

TEA WAGONS

Mahogany Tea Wagons, with drop-leaf table, under shelf and separate tea tray. At, each **$55.00**

Walnut Tea Wagons with drop-leaf table, lower shelf and separate tray **$43.00**

Quartered Oak Tea Wagons in old English and gold finish, with double shelf and cutlery drawer. Special at, each **$44.00**

Quartered Oak Tea Wagons, with drop-leaf, table top and lower shelf. It is finished in old English and special value at **$43.00**

—Furniture, 2nd Floor

Wool Suits for Small Boys

Boys' All-Wool Suits, "Oliver Twist" style. These are in shades of saxe, white, brown, navy and red. Suitable for the ages 2 to 6 years ..... **$4.50** to **$5.50**

All-Wool Two-Piece Suits for boys, pants and separate sweater, with polo collar, and three buttons in front. Shades are bluebell, brown and saxe. For the ages of 2 to 6 years. Selling at ..... **$3.50** and **$4.50**

—Children's, 1st Floor

Irish Linen Damask Cloths

The designs are lily of the valley, roses, poppies, iris and lily. Cloths, 2 yards square. Each **$4.75**

Napkins of pure linen, a dozen **$5.95**

Hand-Made Irish Lace Doilies, Tray Cloths and Centres. Beautiful rose designs. Excellent values at **$2.75**, **$1.75**, **$1.50**, **$1.00**, **85¢**, **50¢**, **35¢** and ..... **25¢**

Irish Embroidered Runners, fine quality and excellent work; 18 x 54 inches. Big value, each ..... **$2.50** and **$1.50**

Lace Trimmed Runners, large choice, 18 x 50-inch. Each, **$1.50**, **$1.19** and ..... **79¢**

—Linen Department, Main Floor